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Comment Of The Day

BLITZ ON DRUGS

A MAGISTRATE'S remark that Kowloon Walled City was showing "a remarkable improvement" is one indication of the effect of the Colony-wide crack-down on dangerous drugs. For during the past few months Government and police have been co-ordinating in one of the biggest-ever drives to stamp out this pestilence. Police have been going all out to arrest all and sundry in the dope rackets and the courts have been handing out far stiffer and more realistic sentences.

The time has certainly come for a stronger line to be taken. Only too often, the Colony's name has been linked with dangerous drugs found in other countries. And little wonder, for Hongkong is usually tied up in it somewhere along the line. The stark facts and figures of drug addiction and the heart-breaking results were first brought home to us last Autumn with the publication of a White Paper produced by an Executive Council sub-committee headed by Dr A. M. Rodrigues.

TO this was added a most unavourable ingredient—the Kowloon Walled City murder. This fleshpot of vice, dope and gambling had long been a festering sore calling for treatment. However, the murder of a heroin divan keeper there, and the resulting court action brought home the terrible truth of an area which had become a recognised headquarters for crime of all kinds.

The added fact that practically all the civilian prosecution witnesses in the trial were either drug addicts or pedlars, underlined the necessity for the police to take action. If any firm line was to be taken at all, it could be left no longer. With the clarification of the legal status of the Walled City, regular daily police raids drove the bad hats either to prison, underground or into more conventional business channels. This has cleared the air considerably.

THE police and courts are being given an added helping hand. New amendments to the dangerous drugs ordinance will increase the maximum prison term from 10 to 15 years, and fines from \$50,000 to \$100,000. It will also be an offence to have a pipe, equipment or apparatus intended for smoking or taking drugs, even though no actual drugs may be found. It is worth noting, however, that Hongkong's maximum penalties are still below those of Middle East countries who have had the same trouble.

It is doubtful indeed if this curse will ever entirely leave our shores, but the current campaign should make it painfully obvious to drug traffickers that there is no longer a profitable living to be made from such malpractices. It is also essential for the community to realise that the elimination of drug addiction is everybody's responsibility. This is certainly no case of too many cooks spoiling the broth; rather, many hands making lighter and more effective work. For only when we have humiliated this malignancy into submission can we begin to hold up our heads and feel more pride in our own community.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Criminal Sessions to hear Fleming case next month

Marcel Noel Andre Fleming, 29, business executive, was committed for trial at the April Criminal Sessions by Mr Derek Cons at the Central Magistracy this morning.

dear sir

FRENCH ATOMIC BOMB TEST

Reply to Chapman Pincher article

You will not be surprised to receive this letter after publishing the sensational headline-front-page article yesterday on General de Gaulle and our scientists concerning the French atomic experiment in the Sahara.

I am completely unaware of the actual power of the French atomic bomb of Reggane. But even if it had been a mere dust-dust firecracker it would not have justified either the tendentious nature or the grossness of the news report by the London Express Service.

This is to rate cheaply both the dignity of a Chief of State and the intellectual integrity of scientists to think that they could allow themselves to stoop to such a type of jest

which is attributed to them. What would happen if our journalists acted in a similar manner towards Her Majesty the Queen and her scientists? I am pleased to observe that they have shown, in this matter, a keener sense of deference and of Franco-English friendship than Mr Chapman Pincher. Putting into effect the rights governing replies to press articles containing an offence under headlines and unduly enlarged, towards the highest authority and towards the scientists of my country, I request you to insert this reply in the space and place, and with the same emphasis as have been given to the article in question.

G. J. L. SOULIE
Consul General for France.

UN debate on S. Africa

Racial policies termed as 'almost indecent'

United Nations, Mar. 30. Afro-Asian speakers described South Africa's racial policies in such terms as "ugly" and "almost indecent," today when the Security Council met in urgent session to discuss the recent riots in the racially torn Union.

Delegates from Ceylon, Ethiopia, India, Pakistan and Liberia followed one another in declaring that the situation menaced world peace and that it was the Council's duty to take some action.

Minutes before the council adjourned for the day, a move by M. Mongi Slim of Tunisia to get the South African representative to say whether or not he intended to take further part in the debate failed when it did not receive the necessary seven votes.

Earlier Mr Brand Fourie, South Africa's resident representative, had lodged a strong protest against the Council debating the riots and had then led his delegation in a withdrawal from the Council table.

For the rest of the day Mr Fourie and his advisers sat in seats normally used by diplomatic observers, and a spokesman told reporters that "at this stage" the delegation had not walked out of the debate.

AFTERTHOUGHT

M. Slim formally proposed that the Council, through its President, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, should ask the Union delegation whether it would participate further in the debate.

However, when Britain, France, the United States, Argentina and Ecuador abstained, the proposal was lost.

Mr C. S. Jha of India said he could not accept the South African claim that police had opened fire in self-defence. This statement, he declared, was "clearly an afterthought" and was "only self-exculpation in

view of the rising tide of world opinion."

The Indian delegate disclosed that Mr Oliver Tambo, deputy President of the African National Congress, was on his way to seek a Council hearing and that he would give "a very different story" from that given by the South African representative.

Sir Claude Corea of Ceylon said South Africa was treating human beings as "mere chattels, simply because of a difference in race and colour."—Reuter.

NEGROES STAGE SITDOWN: ARRESTED

Marshall, Mar. 30. About 250 negroes were arrested today, 55 for staging sitdown demonstrations against segregation and the remainder when they gathered outside the courthouse to protest against the arrests.

As a still larger crowd gathered, police, reinforced by members of the state highway patrol, warned that even more would be put in jail if the negroes did not disperse. Eventually the square outside the courthouse emptied.—Reuter.

Fleming was alleged to have been involved in a fatal traffic accident on February 4 when a car knocked down a police inspector Si Wai-ming and Mrs Si, killing the inspector and seriously injuring his wife in Queen's Road Central, near Duddell Street.

Accused faces five charges:

- ★ Manslaughter of Inspector Si Wai-ming.
 - ★ Dangerous driving causing the death of Inspector Si.
 - ★ Dangerous driving at Queen's Road Central near Duddell Street.
 - ★ Driving under the influence of drink, to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control of the vehicle.
 - ★ Dangerous driving, causing grievous bodily injury to Mrs Si Wai-ming, alias Yuen Hing-hang.
- The committal proceedings ended this morning after 49 Crown witnesses gave evidence during last Friday, Monday, Tuesday and yesterday.
- This morning defence counsel, Mr Harold Caine of Messrs Johnson, Stokes & Master, made his submission.

Submission

Mr Caine submitted that under Section 84 of the Magistrates Ordinance, an accused, in committal proceedings, should be committed for trial only on those indictable charges supported by evidence and not on unsupported charges.

Mr Caine was referring to the charge against Fleming of driving under the influence of drink.

The Magistrate was of the opinion that if there was sufficient evidence for any indictable charges, he should commit the accused for trial in a higher court but not on any particular charge.

Fleming was allowed bail of \$1,000. His passport was surrendered.

Fleming was also alleged to have been involved in two other traffic accidents on the same day, one in Garden Road and the other in Fokkum Road.

Mr W. S. W. Davidson, Crown Counsel, assisted by Chief Inspector C. Pope is appearing for the Crown.

Chinese threat to Australia

San Francisco, Mar. 30. The emigration of Chinese merchants to Southeast Asia since 1900 could be the prelude to Chinese Communist invasion of Australia, according to Mr C. Northcote Parkinson.

Mr Parkinson, historian, humorist, and author of "Prisoners' Law," told newsmen that the Chinese settlements in Asia could be an advance guard ready to serve China.

"This is one obvious worry about China's intentions during the rest of this century," he said.

PULLED OUT

"Britain and the Netherlands, the only two powers capable of checking China, have pulled out and left the territory wide open."

"With them gone, the only thing left is Australia, which is virtually undefended, with 15 million people. What is that against the weight of hundreds of millions?"

Besides an invasion of Australia, Mr Parkinson said China could also enter into a war with Russia and the Soviet Union.

He also contended that Mr Khrushchev's fear of China accounts for his not providing the Chinese with atomic weapons.—UPI.

Bonfire of passes



Africans burn their passes in public in the township of Orlando, Johannesburg, on Monday. The day was observed by Africans, especially in the Johannesburg area, as a day of mourning for the 80 Africans who died in the Sharpeville shootings. Since the Sharpeville shootings, however, the South African police have been told not to arrest those who do not carry their passes.—AP Photo.

France to explode second A-bomb?

Paris, Mar. 30. France warned all aircraft away from its Sahara Desert atomic test site today but informed observers believed it was merely a trial run before the nation's second explosion.

The observers held it was inconceivable that President Charles de Gaulle would permit a French nuclear explosion while the Soviet Premier, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, is in the country. He leaves France on April 3.

TEST AREA

Informed sources said earlier today that the second French atomic explosion probably will take place between April 9 and 10.

The government has issued today by the General Secretariat for Commercial and Civil Aviation prohibited all flying over a wide pre-signalized region surrounding the test area for 12 hours, starting at 6.40 a.m. tomorrow.—UPI.

Frequent meeting of heads of state will help peace

Washington, Mar. 30. The Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, told the U.S. Senate today that he believes the more frequent heads of nations visit each other, the less chance there is of war occurring through "mischance, mishap or malice."

He recalled it was almost exactly a year ago he began the series of top-level visits by paying a call on the Soviet Premier, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, in Moscow.

Although he expressed doubts then about the wisdom of such a policy, he believed the heads-of-government consultations have been largely responsible for the decreased world tension now apparent.

A GOOD THING

"If I think it has been a good thing," he told the Senate. He explained that the more complex world problems become less complicated the more there is to talk about between the heads of governments.

Mr Macmillan assured the Senate that Britain and America were more determined than ever to work for world peace and happiness.

Mr Macmillan said the non-Communist world must guard against a tendency to lose sight of the ultimate goal of peace and freedom for mankind over a wide pre-signalized region surrounding the test area for 12 hours, starting at 6.40 a.m. tomorrow.—UPI.

London financiers to stand trial for fraud

London, Mar. 30. A London solicitor and two financiers were sent for trial to the Old Bailey today on charges arising out of takeover deals involving millions of pounds.

The three are Friedrich Grunwald, 34, solicitor, Harry Jasper, 52, banker and head of the Jasper group of companies, and Herbert Murray, 64, former Managing-Director and Secretary of the State Building Society.

The charges against them allege that Murray and Grunwald pursued a systematic course fraudulently to take and use money belonging to the State Building Society to finance a series of takeover transactions and that Jasper helped them by the loan of his name and in other ways.

NEW CHARGE

Today new charges alleging the fraudulent conversion of a further £300,000 were preferred against Grunwald. Grunwald is already charged with the fraudulent conversion of £3,255,000 entrusted to him by the State Building Society.

Murray was additionally charged today with aiding and abetting Grunwald in the fraudulent conversion of £150,000 entrusted to Grunwald by the State Building Society.

Mr Dennis Leigh, an official of the Friendly Societies, said he had made an investigation of the State Building Society on behalf of the Chief Registrar.

ADVANCES MADE

He had found that between 1956 and 1959 advances from the Society to the Jasper group totalled £4,439,100.

So far as he was able to ascertain, only between £100,000 and £200,000 had been repaid.

The outstanding amount, including accrued interest in September last year was just over £4,500,000.

All three men pleaded not guilty to the charges against them and reserved their defence. They were allowed bail of £40,000 each.

The taking of evidence had lasted since February 1.—China Mail Special.

Sick girl interrupts 'war game'

Portsmouth, Mar. 30. A British naval officer whose sick daughter yesterday interrupted a "war game" between 30 NATO ships arrived home today to find her slightly better.

Yesterday HMS Dauntless, one of the Royal Navy's largest destroyers, was about to take part in a mock nuclear attack involving British, Dutch, French and Portuguese ships when an urgent message was received.

It said that Suzanne, two-and-a-half-year-old daughter of the Dauntless's navigating officer, Lieut-Commander J. C. Howe, was seriously ill with gastro-enteritis in a Portsmouth hospital.

PERMISSION

Rear-Admiral C. E. E. Townhill, commanding the NATO forces during the "attack" from his flagship, the French cruiser Guichen, at once gave permission for the ship to detach from the exercise.

After a 200-mile dash, Lt-Commander Howe was put ashore at Plymouth early today and driven along the south coast to his home here.

He immediately telephoned the infectious diseases hospital and was told that Suzanne had improved slightly but was still seriously ill.

He was going to the hospital later today.—China Mail Special.

Accused of bid to blow up Mr K

Paris, Mar. 30. Judge today jailed a retired French Army Sergeant-major on grounds that he came to Paris armed with grenades to try to assassinate the Soviet Premier, Mr Nikita Khrushchev.

The formal charges against ex-Sergeant Major Jean-Jacques Delmas were that of attacking the security of the state and illegal possession of weapons.—UPI.

1960-GOOD YEAR FOR UK

Optimistic tone of pre-budget economic survey

London, Mar. 30.

The Government predicted today that 1960 would be a good economic year for Britain provided cost and prices of goods were kept down to stimulate the export trade.

This was the keynote of the official economic survey which annually precedes the nation's financial budget — due to be presented to Parliament next Monday.

The optimistic tone of the survey, prepared by the Treasury, gave some hope to taxpayers who have been fearing that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Derek Heathcoat-Amory, will increase taxation.

London closes weak

London, Mar. 30. Renewed weakness in South African issues, particularly gold shares, was the outstanding feature of the London stock market today.

Heavy selling brought losses extending to about 15s. in leading Free State issues. Copper shares tumbled and diamond shares were sharply lower.

There was very little interest in gilt-edged securities which closed dull.

Oil shares were dull and tea and rubber shares improved.—Reuter.

Closing prices

United Bonds	1978/80	4.04
Consols 2 1/2-2 1/4		4.04
Consols 4 1/2-4 1/4		4.04
Conversion Loan 3 1/2-3 1/4	1960	4.04
Funding Loan 3 1/2-3 1/4	1960/62	4.04
Funding Stock 3 1/2-3 1/4	1960/2000	4.04
Funding Loan 4 1/2-4 1/4	1960/60	4.04
Funding 3 1/2-3 1/4	1960/16	4.04
Savings 3 1/2-3 1/4	1960/16	4.04
Savings 3 1/2-3 1/4	1960/16	4.04
Banc's Bank "A" Ltd ord-60s		4.04
Chartered Bank-60s		4.04
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Ltd ord-60s		4.04
Lloyds Bank "A" Ltd ord-60s		4.04
Union Insurance Co. Ltd-20/21s		4.04
Aircraft and Motors		4.04
British Motor Corp. Ord-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Ford Motor Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Harley Davidson Group Ord-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Rolls Royce Ltd Ord-40s 6d		4.04
Rootes Ltd "A" Ltd ord-60s		4.04
Standard Triumph International-11s 10 1/2d		4.04
Breweries		4.04
Distillers Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
South African Breweries-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Building and Materials		4.04
Associated Portland Cement-70s		4.04
Goodlass Wall & Lend Ord-60s 3d		4.04
Conl. Steel and Engineering		4.04
Imperial Chemical-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
United Steel-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Vickers Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Food		4.04
British American Tobacco Co. Ltd-60s		4.04
Imperial Tobacco Co. Ltd-60s		4.04
Miscellaneous		4.04
Boardman Martin Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
British Oxygen Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
De La Rue Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Glaxo Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Hongkong & China Gas Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Imperial Chemical-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Lyons & Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Unilever Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Bowater Paper Corp Ord-72s 6d		4.04
Radio and Electrical		4.04
Associated Electrical-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Electrical & Musical-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
English Electric Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
General Electric-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Shipping		4.04
Indo-China Steam Nav. Co. Ltd ord-20s		4.04
P & O Steam Navigation Ltd ord-41s 10 1/2d		4.04
Stores		4.04
Debenhams Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Great Universal Stores "A" Ltd-40s		4.04
Mark & Spencer Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Woolworths Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Coal & Steel		4.04
Coal J & F Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Courtauld Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Cona Goldfields of South Africa-60s 6d		4.04
China		4.04
De Beers Corp. Ord-71s 6d		4.04
De Beers Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Hongkong Tin-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Pertaling Tin-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
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Southern Rhine Coal Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Union Carbide-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
West Driffield Goldmining-160s		4.04
British Dome Oil		4.04
Petroleum Syndicate-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
British Petroleum-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
British Petroleum Co. Ltd-21s 4 1/2d		4.04
Shell Transport & Trading-101s 4 1/2d		4.04

This mood has been caused by mounting government expenditure on such things as defence and welfare services, and by signs of some inflation in the internal economy.

Favourable

The survey said that the world's economic prospect for Britain was "reasonably favourable". It stated that 1959 had been a good year in which expansion went full speed ahead, trade soared, prices were held down, personal savings rose, and tax revenue increased in spite of budget cuts last year.

The survey said the aim for 1960 must be to achieve further steady increase in investment and production without damage to price stability or to the balance of payments.

"Success will depend on the maintenance of the right balance between total demand and productive resources, on vigilance about costs and prices and thus on securing favourable circumstances for the expansion of our export trade," the survey said.

"Given these conditions," the country can look forward to a year of continuing progress."

Warning

But the survey warned both workers and employers against sharp increases in wages and prices. It said that any such increase would be a major cause of inflation.

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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done at the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$2,442,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

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VERWOERD'S FATEFUL DECISION

Ignored offers to contact African leaders

Johannesburg, Mar. 30. Events of the day made it clear late today that the South African Government has made a fateful decision in its race relations.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Hendrik Verwoerd has decided to ignore all offers or demands for contacts between the Government and leaders of organized Africans, and has cut the Government off completely from more than two million urban Africans.

Many of the Liberals and African leaders arrested today have urged that contact be made with former Zulu Chief Albert Lutuli, now President-General of the African National Congress.

Way out

Liberals have contended that Lutuli's views are moderate and that some way out of the racial impasse can be explored with him.

These suggestions have been received coldly by Government leaders who have labelled Lutuli "subversive." They say he is attempting to establish a black government in South Africa.

But until today there had been some slight hope that such an exploration of views might take place. The arrests and harsh measures taken to maintain white supremacy dashed all such hopes.

Relations between Africans and Europeans in this country tonight have probably not been as bad as since the Zulu rebellion of 1879.—AP.

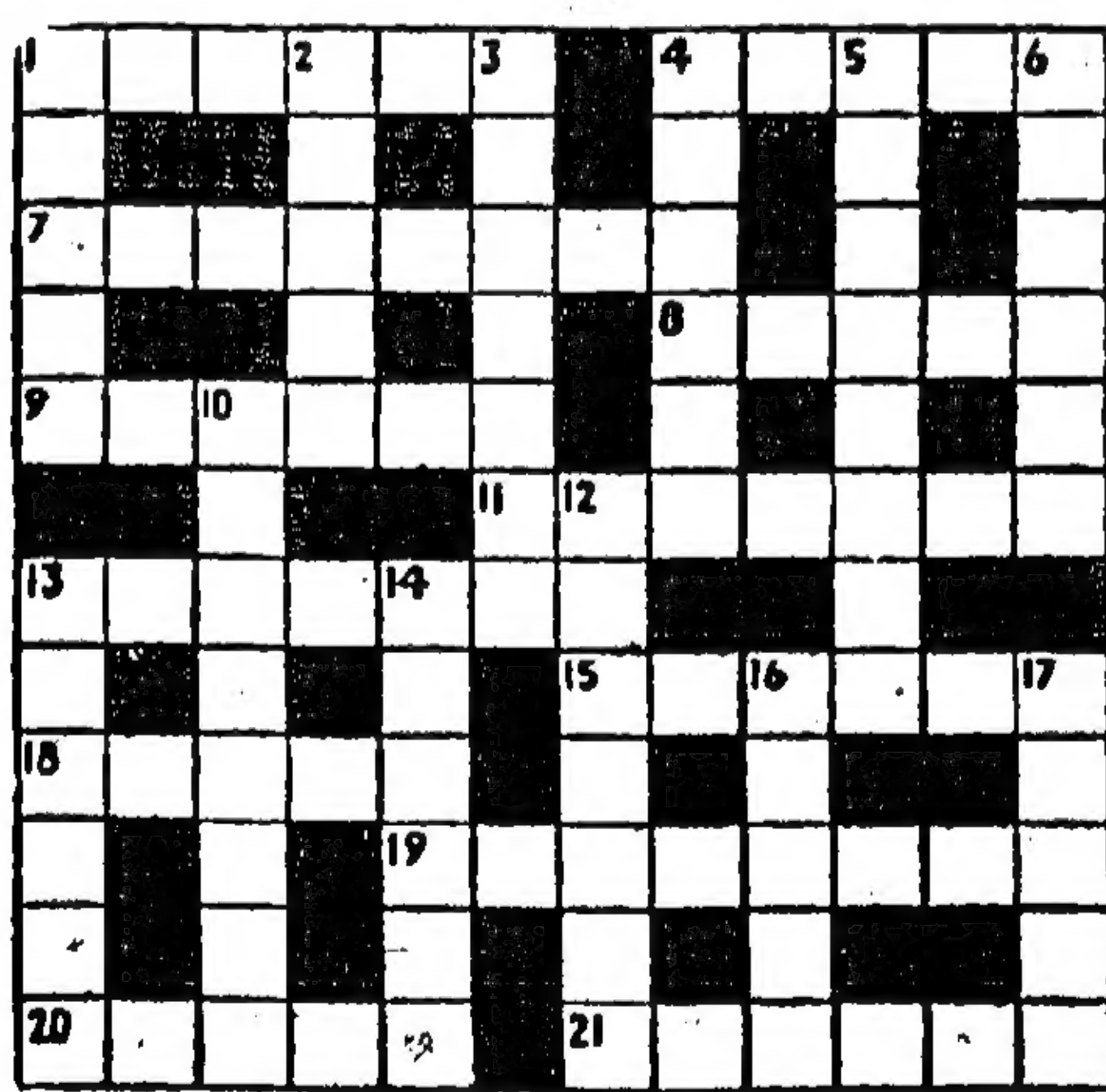
Useful gifts for four Russians

Moscow, Mar. 30. Marshal Rodion Malinovsky, Soviet Defence Minister, today received the four Soviet soldiers who recently drifted 49 days across the Pacific.

The four men told him of the warm welcome they received aboard the American aircraft carrier Kearsarge which picked them up.

The Marshal presented them with insignia of the order of the "Red Star" awarded them by the Supreme Soviet and also with engraved navigators' watches "so that you shouldn't get lost again"—AP.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 A.B. Scot on the road. (6)
 - 2 Names in a divorce suit. (5)
 - 3 Like a child making a fuss? (2, 2, 4)
 - 4 Sleep. (6)
 - 5 Though in Greece, part is in South Africa. (9)
 - 6 Noticed Dick? (7)
 - 7 Like a distant parent? (7)
 - 8 Goat wool. (6)
 - 9 In tears? (5)
 - 10 Advance order for city divisions. (8)
 - 11 Some river mouths are. (3)
 - 12 Journey's end, maybe, for London-bound Scots. (4)
- DOWN**
- 1 50/00lb of hay. (5)
 - 2 He may not work without stint. (3)
 - 3 The body in the motorizing milt? (7)
 - 4 In which a coin's easily lost. (6)
 - 5 Four, in pairs (3, 2, 3).
 - 6 Butler breed? (9)
 - 7 Held up—by the police? (8)
 - 8 One of those wide open spaces. (7)
 - 9 Struggled for a stronghold, by the sound of it. (6)
 - 10 10 gallons in a siletom? (8)
 - 11 Fragile G-girl. (6)
 - 12 In addition to the family who became a famous seller. (6)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Ursa, 4 Presume, 8 Glee, 9 Nose, 10 Aver-age, 11 Nice, 12 Tied, 13 11-1b-and, 17 Redan, 19 Guff, 22 Osters, 23 Exit, 27 Airs, 28 Recited, 29 Undo, 30 Cell, 31 Dressed, 32 Trek, Down: 1 A Rookie, 3 Agenda, 4 Peach, 5 Re-veal, 6 Scrub, 7 Megan, 12 Trio, 13 Edit, 16 A-run, 18 Dalt, 19 Trance, 20 Result, 21 Fiddle, 23 She-ar, 24 Lack, 25 Bided.

Dramatic turn in murder trial

Paris, Mar. 30. The trial of "Mr Bill" took a dramatic turn today as a prosecuting lawyer drew a horrifying picture of murdered bar "hostess" Dominique Thirral withering, a living torch, under the eyes of her murderer.

On trial was "Mr Bill"—alias Georges Rapin, son of a wealthy French family, accused of throwing petrol over the girl and setting fire to her in the forest of Fontainebleau, near Paris.

Lawyer Charles Delauney, representing the murdered girl's family, declared that the murderer had watched the dying girl "as Nero watched Rome burning."

WOULDN'T TALK

The witnesses called today were mainly from the underworld bars of "Pigalle"—the picturesque and sinister district lying at the foot of Montmartre, where Rapin allegedly played the role of hard-bitten gangster.

The witnesses, true to the traditions of Pigalle, exasperated famed criminal lawyer Rene Floriot by their refusal to talk.

Floriot did however succeed in eliciting the information that Rapin was seen a few hours after the time of Dominique's murder, looking "very relaxed" and asking for the girl all over Pigalle.

No-one could be found to give any information about a mysterious "Robert" whom Rapin says was guilty of the murder of Dominique and of a savage hand Roger Adam, whose death is also laid at Rapin's door.

The verdict is expected tomorrow.—AP.

Contraband seized

Buenos Aires, Mar. 30. Police said today they had seized about \$30,000 worth of calculating machines which they said were smuggled into the country aboard Italian ocean liner Conte Grande on a recent trip here.

Police said another \$30,000 worth of machines still were at large. They did not reveal any details as to how the contraband was smuggled into Argentina.

Police said several arrests had been made but did not give out any names. The machines were taken from local retail stores where they were on sale.—AP.

Macleod in Nyasaland

Zomba, Mar. 30. Mr. Iain Macleod, the Colonial Secretary, who arrived in Nyasaland yesterday, conferred here today with the Governor, Sir Robert Armitage, and members of Nyasaland's Executive Council.

The talks are expected to deal with the ending of Nyasaland's year-long emergency over the form of a new constitution for the protectorate, and with the question of the release of Dr. Hastings Banda, the detained African nationalist.—China Mail Special.

6-year-old loses his business

National City, Calif., Mar. 30. Six-year-old Terry Allen Kinney decided to go into business when he noticed many cars lost their hub caps when driving over the washboard-like street in front of his home.

Terry started collecting the caps and put up a sign reading: "Hub caps—50 cents."

Yesterday the police closed down his business when they confiscated the caps and took them to headquarters for owners to claim.—UPI.



Cheerful smile and a wave from Dr. Cheddi Jagan, the Chief Minister of British Guiana, as he is escorted by police near South Africa House, London, recently. Several policemen refused to allow Dr. Jagan and four colleagues to walk past South Africa House (which is the centre of protest demonstrations against the Sharpeville shootings).—Reuter Photo.

Death toll mounts in devastating floods

Rio De Janeiro, Mar. 30. More than 200,000 people are homeless as relentless rains swelled the raging floods sweeping through northeastern Brazil, spreading death and destruction, the latest reports said today.

Some reports from the stricken area said "numerous corpses of humans and animals were seen riding the crests of the waves of the invading rivers."

In Piaui State, reports said 18 cities and towns are under water.

Tales of similar tragedy came from Pernambuco, Alagoas and Paraiba states.

DEADLY THREAT

Thousands of people crowded on hilltops are threatened by venomous snakes and deadly phantasms. A fierce man-eating small fish which can pick clean the body of a cow in a matter of minutes.

In Rio Grande do Norte state more than 250 small irrigation system dams have been swept away and almost the whole of the state was reported flooded.

Reports here were very conflicting tonight but in hard

figures 10 people were known to have died.

The Jaguaribe River, which has bled through the uncompleted Oros Dam, today reached the sea, leaving a trail of devastation. The huge Tocantins River in Para State and Maranhao was rising at an alarming rate.

The north-eastern capitals and the high cities have been invaded by hordes of evictees threatening to pillage stores and markets for food and clothing.

Rescue helicopters flying over the flooded regions report struggling lines of evictees, sometimes three miles long, fleeing to safety.

The Health Ministry was today rushing in supplies and manpower to fight disease and the threat of epidemics.

All available Brazilian Navy craft are already in the north-east or on their way with sup-

plies and 40 Brazilian Air Force planes are airlifting supplies from Rio and Sao Paulo.

President Juscelino Kubitschek has appointed a commission to estimate the damage to property in the Jaguaribe Valley.

The United States icebreaker, Glacier, up from the Antarctic on a rest trip, left here yesterday for the flooded zone carrying two helicopters and tons of food for evictees.

(The State Department announced in Washington today that the government was sending four transport aircraft and two helicopters to aid the victims.

(It said the planes would transport food and medical supplies to the thousands of people who have been rendered homeless).—Reuter.

Gold treasure found in back yard

Chicago, Mar. 30. News of a huge treasure find in the back yard of a wealthy deceased resident excited a quiet Chicago suburb today.

The treasure, all in gold pieces, totals nearly \$100,000. It was found with the aid of a map, buried under two fruit trees where it apparently had been secreted during the last 10 years.

FOOTBALL STAR

The hoard belonged to Stanley R. Pierce, wealthy Chicago investment broker and star full-back on the University of Chicago football squad in 1913. He died on December 25 at the age of 67.

Pierce's estate had been valued at about a half million dollars.

The gold was found by representatives of the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Co. of Chicago, executor of the estate, a Chicago Daily News story stated.

A map giving the location of the treasure under two fruit trees on the grounds was found in a safe Pierce owned.

Pierce, a widower with no children, left his entire estate to the University of Chicago.—AP.

Too late, judge says

Norville, Tenn., Mar. 30. Judge Fred Webb, considering a complicated legal problem, muttered to himself yesterday: "Call for Solomon."

Balliff Carl Bell, hearing the judge, stepped out to the hall calling: "Solomon...Solomon...Solomon!"

"He doesn't answer, your Honour," Bell reported.

"Thank you, Mr. Bell," the judge replied. "I guess we're several thousand years too late."—UPI.

Talks postponed

Hollywood, Mar. 30. Negotiations to end the 24-day actors' strike against the major studios were postponed, ending hopes that the strike would be settled, by mid-week.

The meeting was put off until today to allow time for further study and consideration, according to a spokesman for the Association of Motion Picture Producers.—UPI.

Plane plunges into sea

Cape Canaveral, Mar. 30.

An Air Force tanker plane went down in the Atlantic about 60 miles off the coast east of here tonight, the Coast Guard reported. It was carrying 16 persons.

Coast Guard officials at Miami said it was possible the 16 had jumped out of the stricken plane.—UPI.

Canada's high budget deficit

Ottawa, Mar. 30. A Canadian budget deficit of \$405,800,000—second highest in the country's peacetime history—is indicated for the fiscal year ending tomorrow. Finance Minister Donald Fleming reported.

In a white paper presented in the House of Commons, Mr. Fleming said government revenues increased at twice the rate of expenditures, cutting one-third of the previous year's deficit of \$609,300,000.

Revenue rose to \$5,301,000,000, a gain of 12 per cent over the 1958-59 total of \$4,754,700,000. This was credited to economic growth and higher taxes.

Expenditures rose six per cent to \$5,706,800,000, defence remained the heaviest spending item—27 per cent of the budget, or \$1,528,300,000.—AP.

Close watch

Leitchworth, Mar. 30. Government officials yesterday ended Leitchworth's 57-year-old ban on the sale of alcoholic drinks but only on condition the drinks be sold in a building next door to the police station.—UPI.

Allies might deny U.S. use of bases, Senate told

Washington, Mar. 30. A wartime aide to General Douglas MacArthur warned a Senate Committee today that allied governments might deny the United States use of overseas bases in case of war.

Retired Brig. Gen. Bonner Fellers raised the possibility in recommending that Congress cut President Eisenhower's foreign aid programme in half.

General Fellers, now National Director of a group called the Citizens Foreign Aid Committee, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee opposition to American uses of bases has become serious in such key areas as Iceland, the Philippines, Okinawa, Panama and Cuba.

U.S. DEFENCE

In requesting a 50 per cent reduction in Mr. Eisenhower's \$4,175,000,000 foreign aid request, General Fellers said "it is high time" that money from the programme be channelled into U.S. defence.

"Our economy is threatened and the cruelest, bloodiest dictators of all history threaten our survival," General Fellers said. "To put foreign aid ahead of our defence would be suicidal—both for ourselves and the rest of the free world."—UPI.

It works

Vago Loda, Mar. 30. While inspecting a submarine yesterday, Princess Margaret peeped into the periscope and said, "Why, it works!"—UPI.

Weather stops Nye

London, Mar. 30. Mr. Aneurin Bevan, 62-year-old Deputy Labour Party leader, has cancelled his plans to spend the next two weeks in Brighton, the party announced here last night.

Mr. Bevan, who has been recuperating from a major abdominal operation performed in December, said earlier this week that he planned Brighton visit to continue his convalescence.

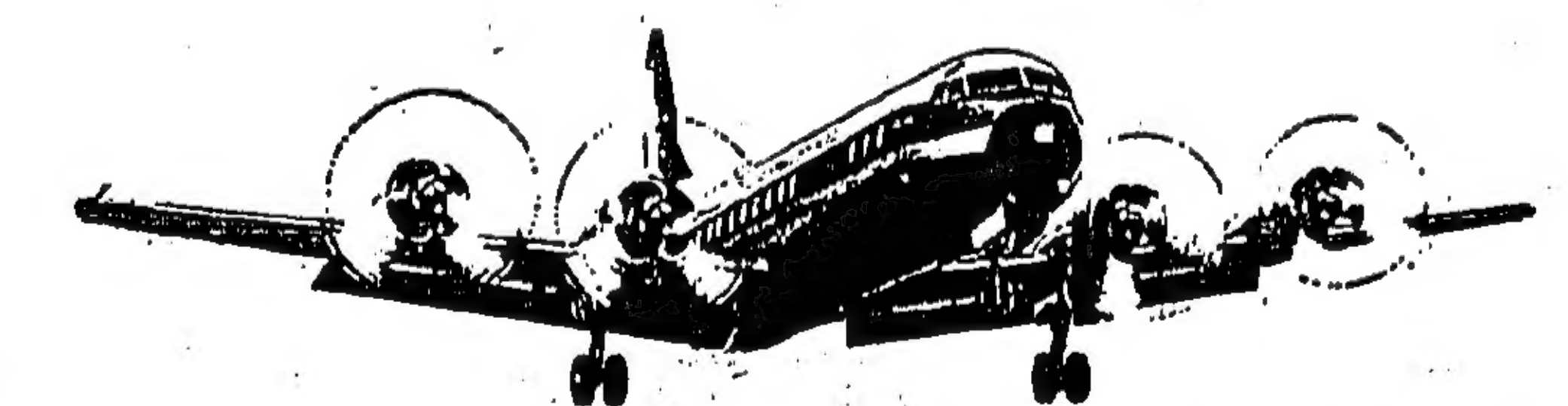
The Labour Party statement said the visit was postponed because of weather conditions.—China Mail Special.

New cardinals

Vatican City, Mar. 30. Pope John XXIII, handed seven new cardinals their red hats today.

The cardinals included the first African, Japanese and Philippine bishops to be raised to the rank of prince of the church.—UPI.

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Accounts for the year ended
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clare Dividends, to elect
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The glazed look of the man with a glass eye

World's tallest apartment project

By Richard L. McCormick

Chicago. The world's tallest apartment project—two 60-story circular towers—will go up on the north edge of Chicago's Loop within the next year-and-a-half.

The 800 apartment units each will have a penthouse effect because of the design and the fact that residential units won't be below the 20th floor.

Work will break ground in May for the \$30 million project, to be known as "Marina City." Apartment rentals will begin at \$18 a month.

The circular towers will rise more than 555 feet and be surrounded by curved balconies, one for every room on every floor, thus assuring the penthouse effect for each middle income dwelling.

700 BOATS
The project also will include a 19-story commercial building, a skating rink, restaurant, dock space for 700 boats, a yacht club, motion picture theatre, health club and bowling alley.

The AFL-CIO Building Service Employees International Union is sponsoring the project, which was designed by architect Bertrand Goldberg of Chicago.

Apartments will include efficiency units consisting of kitchen, bath and dressing room, as well as one and two-bedroom units. Each room will have its own electric pump system which will provide heat in winter and become an air conditioner in summer.

Apartment units in each tower will surround a 35-foot central core containing all utilities and mechanical equipment. Elevators will be situated in the core and open onto a hallway surrounding the core.

The apartments in turn will fan off the hallway and are so designed, Goldberg said, that "upon entering them one moves into fluid and expanding space. Everything moves from the center out to the balconies and beyond, like a growing tree or flower."

THEATRE
Seats in the unique theatre will be approached by a ramp descending from the rear, with a light source at almost every seat. The floor will end directly in front of the first row, like the edge of a balcony, to emphasize the feeling of being suspended in space as one sits before a wide screen suspended against a 92-foot-high wall.

The commercial building will have 172,760 square feet of space and be topped by a penthouse.

The Marina City project is based in part on a market survey showing a need for all types in the downtown of centrally Chicago area, including 10,000 in 125 to 250-a-month and more bracket—UPI.

POLICE SURGEON WAS FOOLED SAYS CRITICAL RECORDER

By CLIFFORD LUTON

London, Mar. 30. A POLICE surgeon had just finished telling the court how the eyes of a driver on a drink charge had reacted to bright light, when the accused man stood up—and took out his glass eye.

That example is used by Mr. Petre Crowder, Recorder of Gravesend, to emphasize his description of police surgeons as being "usually doctors of pretty low calibre."

And Mr. Crowder, M.P. for Ruislip-Northwood, and personal private secretary to the Attorney-General, attacks the whole police system in dealing with motorists suspected of drunken driving. In his local Tory Association magazine, The Clarion.

MAGISTRATES, he says, tend to convict on the evidence of only a small quantity of alcohol.

POLICEMEN, he says, recite stock formulas, parrot fashion, instead of telling the court what really happened when they stopped a suspect motorist.

PHRASES he attacks phrases like "The car was seen to weave in a zig-zag fashion," and "His gait (sometimes spelled as "gate" by the police) was unsteady."

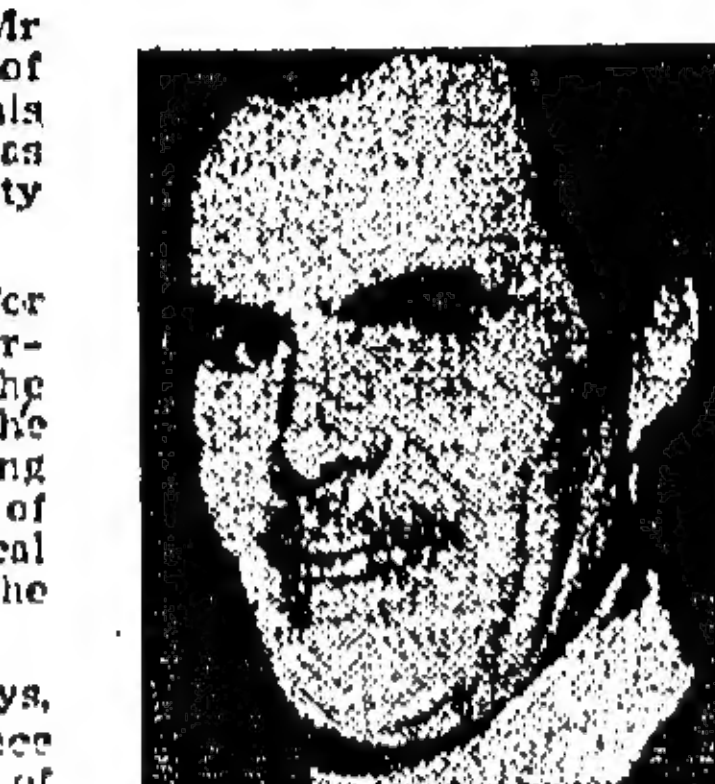
But his harshest criticism is of the POLICE SURGEON. He describes him as "usually a doctor of pretty low calibre, only receiving two or three guineas for being dragged out of bed to conduct the examination during the early hours of the morning."

His examination, says Mr. Crowder, usually lasts about 20 minutes, including the test with a torch or reaction of the pupils to light.

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PETRE CROWDER
"Low-calibre doctors"

After describing the mental arithmetic and other tests, Mr. Crowder goes on to say that small only indicates that some drink has been taken. A person suffering from concussion or other injury, or an old wound, often shows all the signs of being under the influence of drink.

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He is usually crawling at a slow pace in a somewhat hesitant fashion.

He also says it is a pity that people who have overindulged at parties are not able to phone the police and be driven home for a reasonable fee.

He adds: "The congested state of the roads and appalling record of deaths and injuries have promoted a sudden wave of interest and indignation."

"This blame has been farmed by certain politicians who have little or no actual knowledge of the various problems which pertain to the particular type of offence. The public has seized on it as a form of panacea to the high accident rate."

There was an angry reaction later from Mr. E. Richardson Grey, who acts as police surgeon in Gravesend.

He told me: "I think Mr. Crowder is being most unfair. He is making matters worse by saying things like this."

MISTAKES
Dr. Grey said indignantly: "I am called upon by the police because I am nearest. My fee is three guineas for a night call but when I asked for seven guineas on my last drunk case — because I was kept two hours — it would look too high on the expenses."

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• BY THE WAY

By Beachcomber

ADVERTISEMENTS for a snake-charmer in the Egyptian papers have brought no offers, and the cobra is deprived of the flute-music to which they have been subjected. It has been argued that it is not the music that soothes their savage breasts, but the unaccustomed comfort of the basket. An experiment with a trombone at Barnham failed to lure the cobra to show itself. It covered in the bottom of the basket, shaking in every limb.

"It won't come out," said a tourist. "Well, would you!" replied his wife, stuffing her fingers into her ears.

The Rugger ballet
THE description of the dancing of the corps de ballet as "resembling a Rugger scrum" will no doubt encourage someone to produce a Rugger ballet called "Hercules v. London Scottish," with the prima ballerina as the ball. What a chance for superb mimicry! I can hear the applause when a ballet dancer, after swerving all over the stage, crosses the line with the ball (Sonia Tumbelova), throws her down, and is awarded a try by the dementedly cheering referee.

Disarmament
THERE seems to be some doubt as to whether the comparatively innocuous H-bomb is a powerful enough weapon for "negotiations from strength." Stockpiles of poison-gases are suggested. As a spokesman said, "It would be disastrous to go to a summit conference on disarmament with grandiose plans for disarmament. The more abominable and deadly weapons we can produce, the more ready will everyone be to recognize the sincerity of our motives."

A letter to the manager
DEAR mister manager, your stajochun that a buty in ites shud uppre in hour accasaw as is humuileum as a blow over the hays with a poynded spear. We shud criticize her. Wat cud she do but distract the hordings from the seasaw with grunzines, stropzines and sezhipee? Hour akt is hart, not a newest kamp or a foul Kabberay spekticle for dirty people. Let that kortizun sett sunn feat how the stajz and uctore hup hour kontrol and sale for Persia huppon the nex bot, ho yes.

We three "disgusted" verchusozers.
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CROSSWORD
Across here comes
1. Charlie (4, 5)
2. Tableware (4)
3. Girl's name (3)
4. Working (9)
5. Deep voice (9) 13. Possess (3)
6. Town adjective (5)
7. Lodgings (4)
8. Dory shelter (4)
9. Part player (7)
10. Fitted with mechanism (9)
11. Interval music (5)
Down
1. Popular sweet (9)
2. European country (9)
3. Grey (4)
4. Southern circle (9)
5. Metal fastening (4) 12. Probation (9)
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PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post, South China Sunday Post-Herald, and China Mail Staff Photographers are on view in the Morning Post Building.

ORDERS BOOKED

Jehovah's Witnesses will not change their beliefs

Melbourne, Mar. 30. Jehovah's Witnesses would not change their religious belief that blood transfusion was wrong, the presiding Minister of Jehovah's Witnesses in Australia, Mr D. E. Helo, said today. Yesterday a Jehovah's Witness whose two-day-old baby died after he had refused to consent to a blood transfusion on religious grounds was found guilty of manslaughter by a General Sessions jury.

NO ADS IN BRITAIN'S SKIES

London, Mar. 30. The skies over Britain are to remain free of advertising a House of Commons committee decided.

The committee, considering the detailed provisions of the Civil Aviation (Licensing) Bill, approved a new clause to prohibit aircraft from displaying advertisements or other communications audible or visible from the ground except for official purposes. The Bill has already been approved in principle by the House of Commons. Two years ago a Conservative Member of Parliament, Mr Bernard Braine, introduced a private members Bill with this aim, which failed to become law. Mr Braine commented yesterday: "There is no intention to criticise the practice and profession of advertising. But if it oversteps the bounds of decency, or is unethical, or causes nuisance, or in some way constitutes a danger, then it should be brought under control." China Mail Special.

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Judge Nelson released the father, Alvin Leonard Jehu, 29, printer, on a \$100 bond to be of good behavior for five years. Mr Helo said today he believed the verdict was "absolutely wrong."

"It will not change our religious belief," he said. "It does not alter our firm religious convictions. We have been faced with similar cases in other countries."

Mr Helo said the real question was — who goes first, God or man? "That is what the issue boils down to," he said. "Whose law is supreme. Is it God's law or man's law or the opinions of other people?"

Evidence
"That was not put to the jury. 'Surely if we believe in freedom of religion, there must be real freedom.'"

Mr Helo said there was plenty of Scriptural evidence based on the Bible for the stand of Jehovah's Witnesses.

"We know that blood transfusion is wrong—wrong Scripturally and also it can be proved wrong in some points from the medical viewpoint."

"We will have nothing to do with it," China Mail Special.

New C-in-C Central Europe

Paris, Mar. 30. General Maurice Challe was today nominated as Commander-in-Chief of Allied forces in Central Europe.

The French Cabinet today named him to succeed General Jean Valluy at the command, which is allotted to a French officer.

General Challe has been Commander-in-Chief of French forces in Algeria, and is replaced in this post by General Jean Crepin, who has been commander in the Algiers City area.

The French Cabinet put General Challe at the disposition of the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe, and he is assured of being named as Central European Allied Commander, with headquarters at Fontainebleau, near Paris.

No rush to name boys 'Andrew'

London, Mar. 30. Parents in the London area have not rushed to name baby sons Andrew in the week since the new Prince was named, a survey showed today.

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Souvenir wedding programme

London, Mar. 30. An approved souvenir programme of Princess Margaret's wedding will be on sale here on April 30, price 3s 6d, it is announced.

The programme will be issued by King George's Jubilee Trust, which produced a souvenir programme for the wedding of the Queen, then Princess Elizabeth in 1947.

Princess Margaret and Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones marry in Westminster Abbey on May 6.

The programme profits will be used for the objects of the Trust — the advancement of the welfare of the younger generation of the United Kingdom.

The contents, about 32 pages, will include details of the procession to the Abbey, the wedding service, pictures of the Royal Family, articles on the Royal marriage and the bride and bridegroom and a poem by Mr John Massfield, the Poet Laureate.

BEST MAN GOES SKIING

Mr Jeremy Fry, who is to be best man at the wedding, left London by air today for a winter sports holiday at Davos, Switzerland.

Mr Fry, who is head of a small engineering works at Bath, was accompanied by a friend, Mr Alec Issigonis, a car designer.

At the airport he said he went skiing every year. "I'm not very good but so far I haven't had any accidents. I must say I'm a little apprehensive about this trip."

"I would feel an absolute clot if I had to attend the wedding with a leg in plaster," he added. — China Mail Special.

Special suite

Torquay, Mar. 30. The hotel rooms where the British Medical Association will hold a meeting of brain surgeons has been dubbed "the nutsucker suite" by local residents. — UPI.

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OBJECTION TO U.S. EAGLE IN LONDON

London, Mar. 30. A Labour MP, Mr Marcus Lipton, protested in the House of Commons yesterday at an American proposal to put an aluminium eagle with a wing span of 35 feet on the United States Embassy building in Grosvenor Square.

"What is London going to look like if all the foreign governments stick up monstrous national emblems on the buildings they occupy?" he asked.

"Is not London already defaced and scarred by all kinds of architectural eyesores?"

COUNCIL STUDY

Sir Keith Joseph, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Housing, Local Government and Welsh Affairs, said he had no doubt this question, among others, would be studied by the London County Council, which decides whether planning permission is or is not required.

Another Labour MP, Mr Michael Stewart, suggested that the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Welsh Affairs, Mr Henry Brooke, should put an English lion and a Welsh dragon on the top of his Ministry. — China Mail Special.

Outward bound training

Ashburton, Mar. 30. Eighty young men from 12 Commonwealth countries will meet here in April for a month of intense physical training.

The Outward Bound School near Ashburton, an institution dedicated to developing character, physical endurance and community spirit in teen-age boys, will conduct the course.

The school is a member of the Outward Bound Trust, of which the Duke of Edinburgh is Patron.

During the Commonwealth course, boys will make rock climbing and canoe trips, organise a community of patrols, and attend lectures.

COLD SHOWERS

Cold showers every morning will be required and smoking will be banned.

One half of the group will consist of British boys, employed or apprenticed in industry.

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THE COLUMN
OF DISCLOSURE

BY CHAPMAN PINCHER

That Channel Tunnel— don't count on it!

THE project to build a Channel tunnel linking Britain with the Continent fell flat when the study-group of experts issued its report this month, after two years of work costing more than £250,000.

The experts, led by Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, agree that two steel-lined tubes, like a double-barrelled shot-gun, each about 18ft wide and with a single electrified rail track, could and should be built.

But they reveal that the complete 40-mile tunnel and 50 years to amortise the investment and the bankers' heavy toll demands become more understandable.

Prestige

A motor-way in the tunnel has been ruled out partly because ventilation of exhaust gases would almost double the cost, but mainly because the British and French railways, which own 50 per cent of the project, are being asked to provide the money for the study-group, insisted on a monopoly. This means that tolls from motorists would be limited to cars carried on the railway.

Slim hope

So only big-scale financial help by the British and French Governments can save the project from being shelved, probably for ever. Any hope of a British subsidy seems slim when the railways are already so deeply in the red with their existing lines.

The report also reveals that the British and French railways are demanding considerable compensation for the inevitable decline in the value of their ferries, docks, and other cross-Channel facilities.

Add to this the fact that it would take about seven years to

The money which could be raised from U.S. banks is limited to about 25 per cent of the total, because neither the British nor the French would agree to U.S. control of the tunnel.

Any subsidy could not be offset on the defence vote, because the tunnel could not be relied on for defence purposes. It would be too vulnerable to atomic attack at the ends and in the middle.

The only hope for "Channel" enthusiasts is that Mr Macmillan and President de Gaulle might decide to subsidise the project for prestige purposes and the boost it would give to exports and tourism.

Comfort

THE Government is having second thoughts about General de Gaulle's atom bomb, following a change in the defence chiefs' argument for persisting with the build-up of an independent stockpile of British bombs.

The argument used to be that, in spite of Anglo-U.S. friendship, Britain might one day have to go it alone. Now this has become unthinkable, the official line—as put over to a private audience by the Vice-Chief of the Air Staff, Air Marshal Sir Edmund Huddleston—is as follows:—

The Americans will never desert Britain, but the Russians might think they will. So the Russians must be deterred from attacking Britain in the mistaken hope that the Americans would sit back and watch rather than risk an attack on New York.

An independent stockpile of British bombs therefore helps to prevent this kind of miscalculation, which is now the likeliest cause of a global war.

By this argument, the more NATO nations which have independent supplies of bombs the less the chance should be of a "miscalculation" by Russia.

So the defence chiefs are now taking comfort in the prospect of a French stockpile. No doubt the argument could be extended to excusing a stockpile for our German allies.

Germ-killer

HARWELL'S scientists have high hopes for a new system of sterilising hospital equipment, instruments, and bedding by means of atomic rays.

A team led by Dr Robert Roberts has been using the beam from a cobalt "bomb" to kill the lurking germs responsible for so much accidental infection in British hospitals. The rays work without damaging the materials or making them radioactive.

First hospital group to install the new sterilising equipment is likely to be at Swindon, Wilts. (London Express Service).

Gas-test convicts get giggles

Washington.

HUNDREDS of burly, aggressive convicts roiled and giggled in an open field near Washington—"guinea pigs" in a test of the U.S. army's "helplessness gas."

The experiments revealed that the gas, only recently perfected by army scientists, could completely incapacitate a city the size of London within a few hours.

However, the gas, delivered by missile warheads or a few squadrons of aircraft, would be a gentle kind of "knockout"—it would not cause any injury or loss of life.

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for their size—over 6ft.—and native aggressiveness. But one spokesman declared: "Although this gas (called LSD) reduces warfare to a humane business, we anticipate a great deal of opposition to our tests on convicts. Surveys prove that most people are opposed to gas on moral grounds, even though this gas would cause no injury or loss of life."

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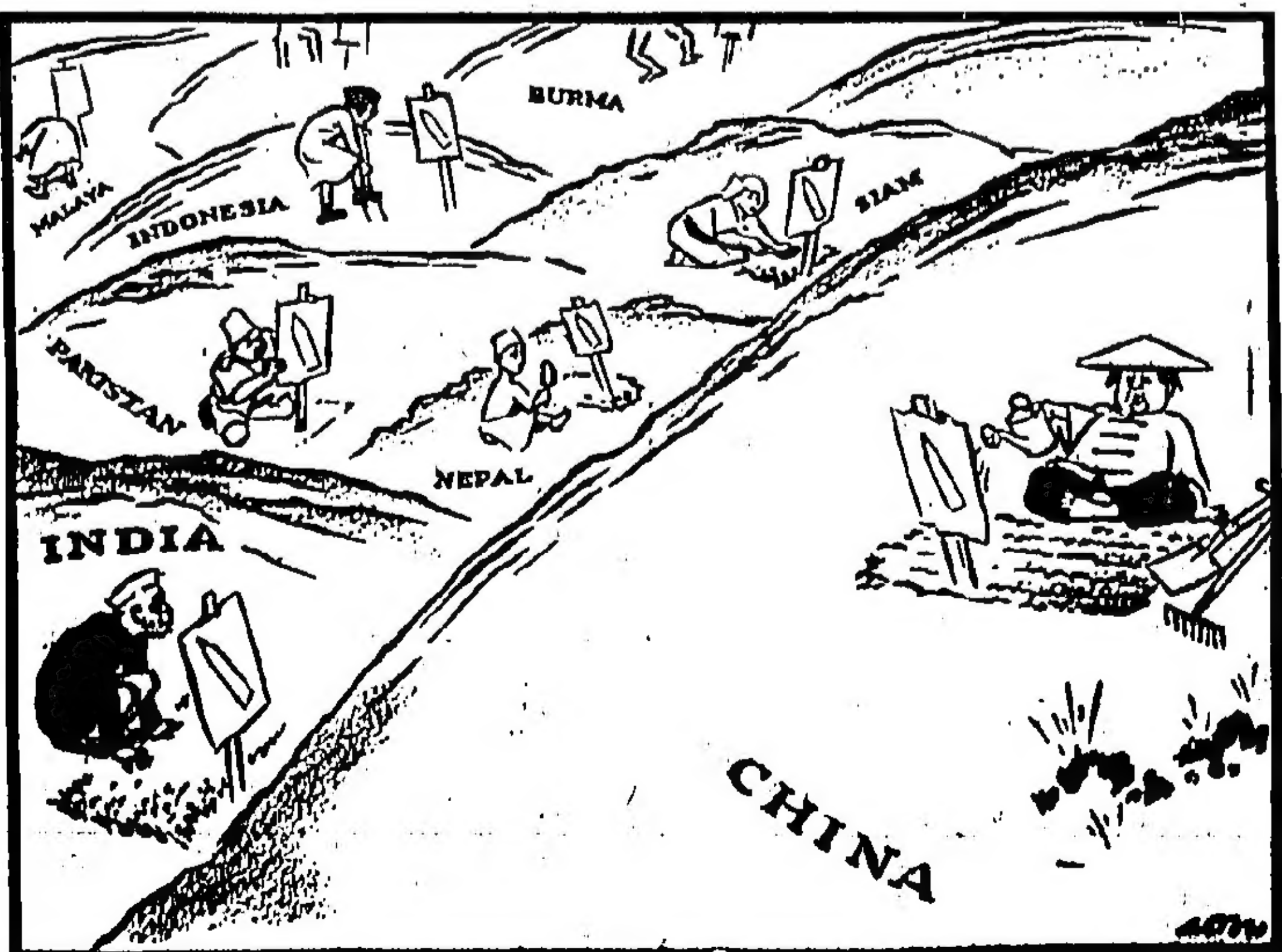
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Alice Springs. Australia's aboriginal areas are to be patrolled regularly by special police. Decision follows increase in violence among aborigines on settlements in the past year, resulting in numerous murders and maimings. (London Express Service).

Just Fancy That!

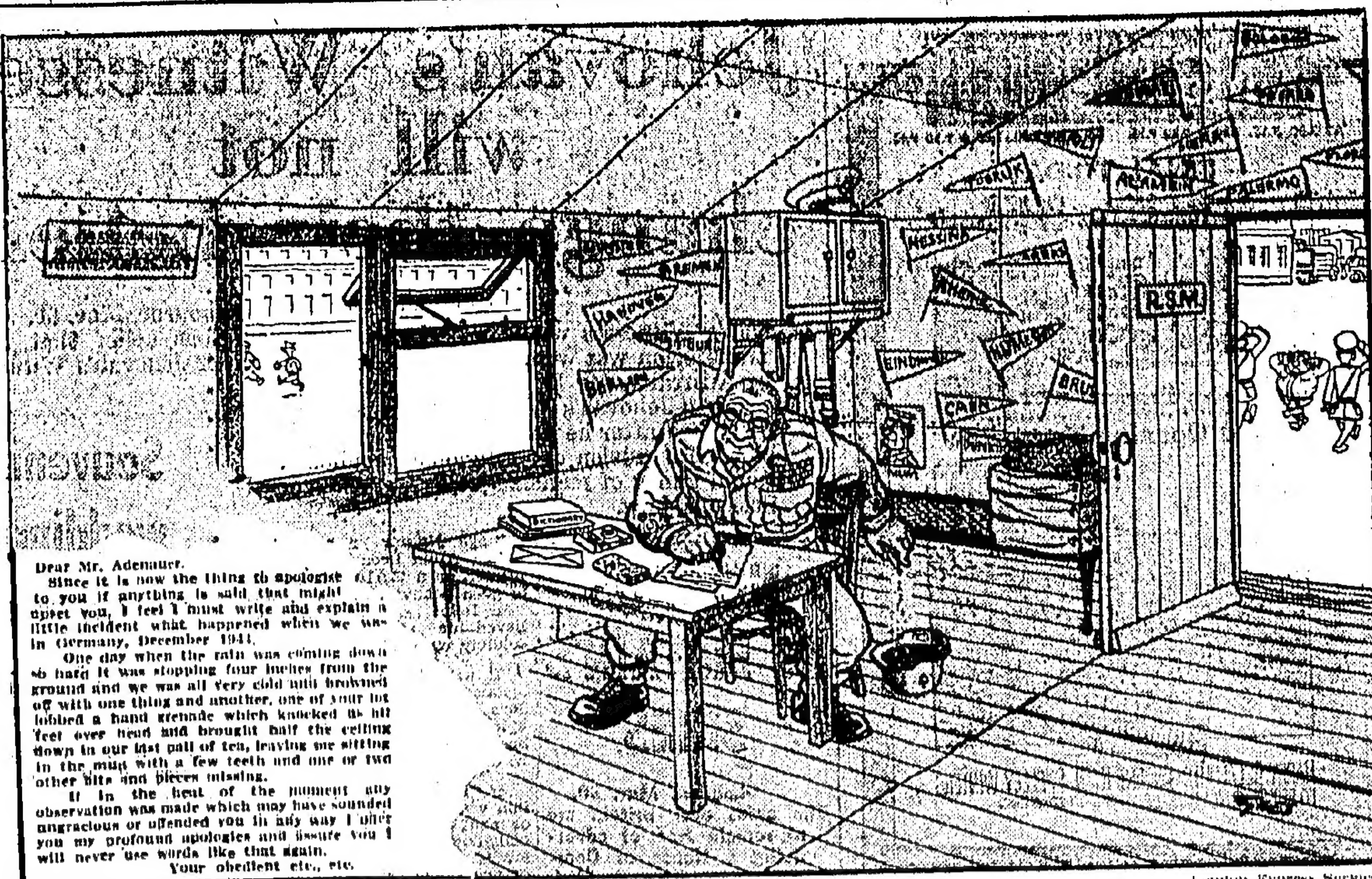
A CHEQUE for £1. has been sent by the Board of Trade to a Southampton firm of auctioneers as underpayment following bankruptcy proceedings in which the firm acted for the Board. The firm says the cheque will be framed as a souvenir—which will leave the Board of Trade with an uncashed bankruptcy account.

FOXES are invading the suburbs of London. Twenty were hunted down at Sundridge Park and Chislehurst, Kent, in January, the Commons were told. No hounds, no riders in hunting pink—they were SHOT by Ministry of Agriculture pest control officers.



SPRING—THE PICTURE ON THE PACKET

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Dear Mr. Adenauer.
Since it is now the thing to apologise to you if anything is said that might offend you, I feel I must write and explain a little incident that happened when we were in Germany, December 1951.
One day when the rain was coming down hard it was raining four inches from the ground and we were all very cold and huddled up with one thing and another, one of your lot lobbed a hand grenade which knocked us all down in our last out of the building and sitting in the mud with a few teeth and one or two other bits and pieces missing.
It is in the heat of the moment any observation made which may have sounded outrageous or offensive to you in any way I offer you my profound apologies and assure you I will never use words like that again.
Yours obedient etc, etc.

LONDON EXPRESS SERVICE

LOGAN GOURLAY

WHO KNOWS AND TELLS IN HIS UNMISTAKABLE WAY

The clean-shaven sheik with a simple taste in marriage

SHEIK Najib Alamuddin like any other Middle East sheiks I have met (the total is three) is a shattering disappointment by romanticised Western standards.

He is not a bronzed equestrian figure in flowing white robes. He does not thunder across the desert to moonlit, palm-concealed assignations. He has only one wife.

The sheik, in fact, could easily be mistaken for a typical city business man—grey-suited, prosperous, affable, as well-padded as his swivel chair.

His English is accent-less; his clothes are conservatively Saville Row; his demeanour would please the porter of any St. James's club.

As chairman of Middle East Airlines the sheik is more at home in the cockpit of a Comet than the saddle of a white stallion.

REBELS...

Pouring tea in the rural oasis of a Berkeley Hotel suite, he told me:—

"I was partly educated in Britain and, of course, I'm fairly Westernised. A lot of people say I look and sound more like an Irishman than a Lebanese sheik. I tell them that I'm one of the Druses, and that we're sometimes called the Irish of the Middle East. But that's only because we are—or were—a bit rebellious."

"We're a small religious sect. There are only about 75,000 of us in the Lebanon. In the old days we were all warriors. We had to be to survive. We don't do much fighting nowadays."

The sheik, however, has been conducting a protracted, though bloodless, battle with red-taped officialdom. He came here several weeks ago to place a £2,000,000 order for five Comet jetliners. After endless delay and discussion the sheik got impatient. He issued an ultimatum that if the order was not officially approved and accepted within the next few days his airline would have to consider buying French or American jets.

Officialdom woke up from its jetless lethargy. The sheik was told that he could expect delivery of the first Comet in December or January.

An odd, disturbing fact about the situation, which may have cost millions for us, is that Boac owns 49 per cent of Middle East Airlines.

The sheik's wife has enjoyed the delay which has given her an opportunity for extensive shopping. She is a Swiss-born doctor who no longer practises. Said the sheik: "Like any other husband I have to take my wife's advice. But not on medical matters. It's safer to have my own doctor."

With a Lebanese-Irish smile the sheik added: "I'm happy that my religion allows only one wife. One is sometimes more than enough."

I inquired about the Druses' attitude to alcohol and tobacco.

"They are frowned upon. Anyone who indulges, especially in alcohol, is considered ignorant and stupid."

The sheik, a wise Druse, poured himself another cup of Indian tea. But on the slide-

board I noticed, as I left, a liberal array of gin, whisky, and brandy bottles. For ignorant guests, presumably.

IT WAS, I thought, the saddest and strangest remark of the week. Listing the reasons for his wife's dissatisfaction with their life together after the announcement of their separation, Stirling Moss included this: "She couldn't keep up her hobbies, like clay pigeon shooting."

THANK YOU, BUT NO

A CONTINENTAL coffee bar and restaurant near

Sloane Square invites customers, in a magazine ad, to try their "civilised cooking. It adds:

"Uncivilised England. We cannot sell you wine. Please bring your own."

Thank you, but No, I know a restaurant which sells wine.

WORDS with which I entirely agree, spoken by actor James Robertson Justice about the salaries of teenage pop singers: "It's just as absurd to pay them £1,000 a week as it is to pay actors what we get. None of us is worth it."

BOY OR GIRL?

YES, DOCTORS CAN TELL—BUT
YOU STILL CAN'T CHOOSE...

PARAH, 21 and Queen of Persia, is expecting a baby. Will it be a boy or a girl? It is a question which has tantalised prospective parents since Adam and Eve. For most couples, not knowing is no more irksome than knitting TWO layettes, one pink, one blue.

BY PETER FAIRLEY

In the Shah's case, much more is at stake. The whole future of his dynasty is affected. Only a boy can succeed to the Peacock Throne. The Shah, no doubt, would give much for peace of mind at this early stage.

In fact, if he really wants to know the answer, he can have it. For a new British technique now makes it possible to tell the sex of a baby several months before it is born.

Warning

The technique is called Chromatin Determination. But a word of warning should be given at once.

Your doctor is most unlikely to advise it, for two reasons. One, it is not particularly pleasant for the mother to undergo.

Two, doctors are loath to interfere in any way with the sacred function of child-bearing, and they do not believe a little uncertainty does the happy couple any harm.

They regard Chromatin Determination as a gimmick, but it does work. To explain it, one must first illustrate what has happened previously.

The sex of a child is determined at the moment of fertilisation. Nothing can alter it from then on. In a fraction of a second, one small seed from

the father penetrates one egg in the mother and fertilises it. That seed carries with it certain slender threads, called chromosomes. There are 46 in every normal cell in the human body, but only two of them determine sex.

In a woman this pair shows up under the microscope as shaped like an X. In a man, one is shaped like an X, the other like a Y. If the father's X chromosome penetrates the egg, then a girl results. If the Y gets there first, then it will be a boy.

AND THERE IS NOTHING THAT CAN BE DONE TODAY TO MAKE IT MORE THAN A FIFTY-FIFTY GAMBLE.

Multiply

Once fertilisation has taken place, the new living cells multiply inside the mother. Dozens, then hundreds, thousands and millions of XX (girl) or XY (boy) chromosomes grow.

The new method of "seeing inside" involves extracting samples of these new cells, then examining them under a powerful microscope.

Around the nucleus of each cell a little black blob can be detected—if it is a girl. With a boy, no blob appears. It is as simple as that.

Danger

But no doctor wants to carry out this examination with a syringe without vital reason. So until a less risky method can be discovered, the old wives' tales of wedding rings twisting different ways on pieces of cotton will have to suffice.

Reports that Queen Farah is following a "careful" regimen, believed to give at least 50 per cent assurance of a boy, can be laughed at.

No pill, no diet, no prayer, no code of conduct can change the sex of the child now.

In fact, nothing that she could have done, at any time, could have played any part. Like every woman, rich or poor, she has XX chromosomes. Only her husband has the physical power of choice.

For all the modern marvels of science, no one has yet found a way of making the process of "natural selection" less haphazard. Why the X, or

the Y, succeeds at one time and not another is still a complete mystery.

Eating beef or refusing to pass under ladders will have no effect on nature. But experiments have begun with animals to see if nature cannot be helped along a little more consistently during the process of artificial insemination.

Some experts believe it may be possible to "channel off" all the Xs and Ys into separate streams by administering an electric shock to the test-tube.

X-rays

In this way, only helpers, or only bullocks, could be produced to suit the farmer's needs. But even the most optimistic research workers admit that they are many years off success.

Often it is suggested that the sex could be told in advance by X-raying the mother. But X-rays besides exposing her to radiation dangers at a crucial moment, would reveal no difference.

There is no real substitute for patience.

(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

KITCHENS: BRITISH AND AMERICAN
Displayed at the Ideal Homes
Exhibition, London



The all-American kitchen goes for the efficient look, with a centre cooking island in stainless steel. The radiant hot-plates are controlled by multi-heat switches. The separate oven can be used as a barbecue too.

Fashioned in London

SPRINGTIME FOR GIMMICKS

WHEN spring comes to London, it's the traditional time of the year for the gadget men to descend on the housewife — when her resistance is lowest, and the house looks suddenly shabby in the sunshine.

This year is no exception, and already the gadgeteers are out in force. It takes strong will-power to resist some of their offerings, as a visit to this year's Ideal Homes exhibition in London showed.

I wouldn't give you tuppence for the magnetised man that clings to the electric cooker, and can't be lifted off the hobplate until the current is switched off. It would drive me crazy with frustration.

Portable grills

But I would love to own one of the portable grills that will cook with a thick steak in 35 seconds, and cook delicious

toasted sandwiches on those nights when there is nothing much in the larder.

I haven't the time or energy to make bread from pieces of paper, even with the help of the "Wizard bread-making outfit."

But I'd be sure of turning out clothes like a professional with the new Swiss sewing machine which does anything—buttonholes, darning and hemming and all that, without screwing on any attachments.

Garden pool

I wasn't keen on a plastic folding caravan. I had the feeling that it might expire on us all when we were asleep.

But the put-it-together-yourself garden pool I saw holds out hope for a swimming pool in every one's garden. It costs from £25 complete, depending on the size, and you don't even

need to dig a hole for it. You can rest it on top of the ground, with the added advantage that small toddlers can't fall in.

I can't see myself turning out decorative flower sprays from a kind of plastic bubble-gum.

Washing machine

But the new Italian-made fake flowers would fool anyone. Placed in a vase they look breathtakingly real. And their genuine flower perfume makes them smell real as well.

Among the new crop of larger gadgets there is a new automatic washing machine that takes all the guess-work out of home laundry. You turn the dial to the type of fabric you want to wash—cotton, silk or nylon perhaps—and the machine does the rest. It selects the right water heat and the correct wash. It is completely automatic and needs no special plumbing.

A welcome addition to anyone's kitchen is a new electric mixer which has a non-splash bowl. A lip round the inside prevents the contents flying out when you switch on the beaters.

The next gimmick idea goes out of doors. For lazy gardeners like me there is a new idea that saves both time and trouble. It is ready-sown

flower seeds, bedded in a fibrous material, bought by the yard, like carpeting. Snip off the amount of flower "carpet" you require, lay it on the flower-beds and sprinkle it with a thin coating of soil. Then just sit back until summer, and watch the flowers spring up. You can also buy a ready-sown carpet of grass seed, and anyone who has tried to sow an even lawn will know what a blessing this could be.

Floating flat

An enterprising designer has brought out a houseboat—it looks like a caravan on floats—which has an amazing amount of room inside.

There is sleeping accommodation for at least four people; two families with young children could share it. It has a built-in wardrobe, a dining table and a miniature kitchen with a cooker which uses bottled gas.

With a ten horse-power out-board motor slung on the back it will cruise around sedately, with plenty of room for the crew to sit on deck—which is more than can be said of the average cabin-cruiser.

And if you don't want to buy one, and if you don't want to borrow one instead, these floating flats can be hired at several yachting centres in England and abroad.

The British kitchen features split-level cooking — the waist-high oven and the top-plate are both powered by gas — and surfaces covered in laminated plastic that looks like wood.

By
Hazel
Meyrick

Part 3 Bachelor Girl's Mission to Moscow

By ALINE MOSBY

Moscow.

"I CAN'T meet you until nine o'clock—I have to go to a Communist Party meeting first."

That was the opening line for my first date with a Russian.

It's staggering dialogue when you're from the United States, where even if you did know a Party member he wouldn't broadcast it. But it soon sinks in that here a Communist is an honoured member of society. For that reason, a Communist is the safest date in Moscow, both from your viewpoint and his.

My date suggested we meet downtown. In this case that seemed natural enough.

I dreamed of investigating small bistros and mingling with "the people" on some dark side-street while gypsy violins wailed "Dark Eyes." But a taxi deposited us at an ornate marble-and-potted-palm tourist hotel. Under mammoth crystal chandeliers in the dining room, we ate sturgeon and caviar and danced with other foreigners and a few Russians to the 1935 beat of a Soviet jazz band.

After dinner, my date proudly took me to a "cocktail room" for a cocktail, Russian style. It was very sweet, very pink. He thought that being western, that's the sort of evening I'd like.

After this fascinating occasion, I have four observations of Russian men: They are straightforward, like American men, and don't go in for the Latin hand-kissing routine; they drink vodka as if it were going down into the cellar; they are sensitive; and proud of their country; and

their sense of humour is different. For example, I brought my friend a cartoon from the New Yorker magazine because it flattered Soviet science. It showed two Moscow housewives chatting while their babies scribbled, not aimless doodles, but advanced mathematical problems on the sidewalk.

My Russian date studied the cartoon. Then he shook his head and said seriously, "But it's not true, you know. Well, that ended that conversation."

My Russian friends don't invite me to their homes. But friendships are possible in these "mir-druzhba" (peace-friendship) days. Russians in official positions also visit our apartments for an official-appearing large party (with lots of Scotch).

In fact, the success of a soiree is judged in the foreign colony by how many Russians accept your invitation. A three-Russian party is admirable, and if you can get the editor of Izvestia or Pravda to come, you're a social smash.

For small parties at home, I fix buffet suppers for other foreigners. The conversation is in a mixture of French, English and Russian. The other night in my Moscow living room I proudly counted two Italian journalists, one French and two English, and that's a long, exotic way from my home town of Missoula, Mont.

Tourists, embassy bachelors from various countries, and visiting journalists also compare to movies, restaurants and the theatre (fascinating and good for Russian lessons).

And all winter I can go to the Bolshoi and Malyeysky Ballet that Americans quipped to see. But I miss sidewalk cafes,

coffee houses and drugstore counters. Places of idleness, including bars, are not built in this hardworking country.

Most nights our "social life" means hard work: making the rounds of embassy receptions. Because there is no Jim Hagerly to give us government news, a reception is the only chance correspondents have to catch a real, live Russian politician.

These parties are in some ways like the Hollywood cocktail parties I used to cover for UPI, only more exciting. Instead of talking show business, we talk politics. Instead of meeting stars in low-cut dresses, we share the hors d'oeuvres table with Khrushchev and Mikoyan.

There are fans out in front watching the limousines pull up, but the celebrities the Russians crowd around to watch aren't movie stars—but us!

JACOBY on BRIDGE

THE Stayman two-club convention is one of the finest in bridge and is used by every expert in America.

Basically, you respond with two clubs to your partner's opening no-trump, whereupon he will show a four-card major suit if he holds one.

Like any good thing the Stayman convention can be abused and there is no point in using it when you don't have to.

North has 11 high card points and after his partner opens with one no-trump North surely intends to get to game. He can simply raise to three no-trump or he can use the Stayman two-

NORTH			
♠	AK2	♥	10854
♦	10854	♣	K10
WEST			
♠	J6	♥	108743
♦	QJ72	♣	6
♠	K94	♥	552
♦	8743	♣	AJ65
SOUTH (D)			
♠	Q96	♥	AK3
♦	AQ7	♣	AQ2
No one vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Opening lead—♥2			

CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1♠ Pass 2♥ Pass
2NT Pass 3♠ Pass
4♠ Pass ?

You, South, hold:
♠AK1054 ♡AQ85 432

What do you do?
A—Did you know? Usually the Blackwood bid should be avoided when you hold a worthless doubleton but this time you should be willing to gamble that your partner will hold the king of clubs if he does not hold the ace.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner bids five diamonds to show one ace. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

club to see if his partner holds four hearts.

The best man to know when to use a convention is the inventor and when Sam Stayman sat North in the National Championships at Coronado he chose to raise to three no-trump. As Sam pointed out he did hold four hearts but even if South held four hearts also Sam wanted to be in no-trump.

Needless to say, Sam's decision was correct. With the heart opening South managed to make five no-trump, but four no-trump was there against any lead.

Four hearts could be made also, but those declarers who bid it went down.

Male robbery!



Gad, sir! My sweater!

LATEST look in the great male robbery—his sized, crinkling sweater. For the thickest bowl-him-over leisureliness I've seen around is just like a grown-down man's sweater—club colours around the V-neck, easiness around the wrist. The whole knitted in Italy's thick, white wool. Price, £40s. 6d.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Punch's Sleepy Story

—Mouse Was Asleep When Cat Wanta Napping—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the Shadow Children with the Turn-About Noses, asked their friend, their very old and very kind and right now very sleepy friend, Mr. Punch to tell them a story.

"Ah, my dear Children," said Mr. Punch, putting his hand over his mouth to hide a yawn, "you've—ah, pardon me for yawning again, come at exactly the wrong time, I'm much too sleepy to tell you a story. I'm about to go to bed."

Just as sleepy
"So are we about to go to bed, Mr. Punch," said Knarf. "We're just as sleepy as you are. And if you can stay wide awake long enough to tell us a story, we'll stay wide awake long enough to listen to it."

Mr. Punch looked at Knarf and smiled.

"That sounds fair enough," he said to Knarf. "And what about you, my darling?" Mr. Punch asked, turning to Hanid. "Are you going to be able to stay wide awake long enough to listen to a story from your old, sleepy, yawning Uncle Punch?"

Always awake
"Oh yes," said Hanid. "I'm always wide awake when you tell us a story."

Mr. Punch was already in bed. He invited Knarf and Hanid to draw up two chairs and make themselves comfortable. Then he began his story.

"I call this the story of The Sleepy Cat."

"She did nothing all day but rub against people's legs and purr, and she also did one other thing. She slept!"

"Oh, how that Frieda could sleep. She'd open her eyes in the morning, uncurl herself and eat breakfast. Then she'd find herself a snug, sunny corner, curl herself up again and go back to sleep."

"In-between-times she'd wake up, purr, rub against people's legs, eat some more and go on with her sleeping."

"Now in our house at that time," continued Mr. Punch, "there lived a very wide-awake Mouse. I don't know what this Mouse's real name was. But I called him Camembert, or Bertie for short."

Searched for food
"Bertie never slept at night. That was the time he went searching around for things to eat. He never had any trouble with Frieda, the Cat, at all. She was always sound asleep."

"But by and by my Mother began to get angry."

"See here, Frieda, you lazy Cat," she said one morning, "if you don't catch that Mouse to-day, I'm going to send you away and get a new Cat!"

"Poor Frieda! She felt very hurt."



"Mr. Punch, please tell us a story," said Knarf and Hanid.

by catch such a wide-awake Mouse as Bertie, so she uncurled herself and got ready to leave the house before my Mother sent her away. And just as she was going down into the cellar to crawl out through the cellar window to the street, whom did she trip over but Bertie!

Stuffed with cheese
There he was, fast asleep on the cellar floor, all stuffed up with cheese and bread crumbs, just too tired and too filled up to move! Frieda just sat down on Bertie until my Mother finally came along.

"Oh, you wonderful, clever, darling Cat," my Mother said as she hugged Frieda. "You really did catch that wide-awake Mouse after all!"

"And of course she let Frieda stay with us from then on."

"That's a lovely story," Mr. Punch, said Hanid. "But did Frieda become less sleepy from then on?"

Hanid stopped. There wasn't any use asking Uncle Punch anything. He had fallen fast asleep himself.

Magnificent rally by England batsmen

Smith and Parks pull tourists from desperate position to 238 for six

Port of Spain, Mar. 30.
An unbroken seventh wicket stand of 90 between Jim Parks (55) and Mike Smith (35) saved England from possible disaster on the fifth day of the final Test against West Indies here today.

At the close of play, England were 238 for six, giving them a lead of 293 with only five hours left for play tomorrow.

England, who need only a token score to 80 before Allen bowled out when he was slow going for a sharp angle. Allen made 25 out of the stand of 60. Pullar, who made 54, fell to a brilliant return catch by Sobers just on the stroke of lunch to make three down for 102.

England were in a desperate position at one stage today when three wickets tumbled for 12 runs to make six down for 148, but solid batting by Smith and Parks, who were almost caught after scoring five brought about a magnificent rally.

West Indies had some very bad luck, mainly due to fielding lapses.

Face bowler Wesley Hall was little more than a passenger in spite of receiving an injection to deaden the pain in the strained left side.

Four escapes

He bowled only one over, at half pace, in the morning and did not look at all dangerous when he returned for another short spell before the close.

Ted Dexter, who made 47, had about four escapes before being run out, while Geoff Pullar (54) was almost caught before adding to his overnight score of 12.

Then, to add to West Indies' troubles, a sudden rain shower cost them 24 valuable minutes between tea and the close.

Resuming this morning at 10 for one—a lead of 73 runs—Geoff Pullar and David Allen

Perez-Kingpetch fight postponed

Bangkok, Mar. 30.
The world flyweight championship fight between little holder Pascual Perez of Argentina and Thailand's Pone Kingpetch has been postponed several days, fight director Nat Fleischer announced today.

Fleischer said the postponement was due to Perez's delay in arriving in Bangkok where the fight was originally scheduled on April 2.

Perez now is expected to arrive from Tokyo on Thursday night and a cable from manager Lazaro Kiki said Perez could not possibly fight by Saturday.

Crowds of fight fans and newsmen have been awaiting the Argentine champion daily at the Alhambra since last Friday.

STALLED
Boxing circles here charged that Perez deliberately stalled his arrival in order to get postponement for more training in Bangkok's steamy, tropical heat. They claimed the 34-year-old champion is noted for postponing fights.

The new fight date is to be set by Kiki and Pone's manager, Thong Thos. "In any event the fight will not be delayed later than one week," Fleischer told newsmen.

Pone turned 24 last month and is in top shape for the bout.

Fleischer said Perez declared on the telephone from Tokyo that "he is in good condition and won't require much time to acclimatise himself."

Around 30,000 tickets have been sold for the fight and excitement here was at fever pitch. Workmen were building a special enclosure at the Lumpini Stadium for King Pumphol and Queen Sirikit who planned to be at the ring-side.

Trucks with light placards were cruising the streets baring from loudspeakers a raucous song saying "We must cheer Pone because he is Thai."—AP.

Ireland beat Chile

Dublin, Mar. 30.
The Republic of Ireland beat Chile 2-0 in a friendly soccer international here tonight.

They scored a goal in each half.

Tormenting rain cut the attendance to 20,000.—Reuter.

ALONE IN PARADISE



Katie Moss in the house that Stirling built...

Alone with her thoughts, Katie Moss strolls in the grounds of the house that she loves, on the island that she loves—Nassau, in the Bahamas.

Now that the furore over her split with racing-driver Stirling Moss has died down, she has time to think. Time to replan her young life without the man she married in foggy London in 1957.

Time to look back on the hectic life she has led as the wife of a champion racing driver—a life with suitcases as companions.

It is lonely in the house, but Katie prefers its solitude to the smell of petrol fumes, the noise, and the roaring crowds of the racetracks—a way of life to which she could not acclimatise herself.

Kwong Wah plan PI tour

Manila, Mar. 30.
The Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation is considering a proposal from Hongkong's Kwong Wah Athletic Association for a series of soccer games here.

A PAAF announcement today said: "If the plan goes through, the Kwong Wah team will play here between April 23 and 29."—AP.

RANGERS QUALIFY FOR EUROPEAN CUP SEMI-FINALS

London, Mar. 30.
Scotland's Glasgow Rangers tonight qualified for the semi-finals of the European Football Cup, winning their play-off against the Netherlands' Rotterdam Sparta by 3-2, after being held to a 1-1 score at half-time.

Rangers won 6-5 on aggregate scores after their three matches against Sparta.

The game was played in London on neutral ground, at High-bury, the home of the famous Arsenal team.

Rangers will meet Germany's Frankfurt Eintracht in the semi-finals.

Over 34,000 spectators saw Sparta score first, in the seventh minute of tonight's floodlit game. It was a beautiful goal, Verhoeven taking a flying leap to head home a corner taken by Besselaar.

Rangers drew level in the 25th minute, Baird deflecting into the Dutch net a free-kick taken by Wilson.

It was Baird who put the Scots ahead a quarter of an hour after half-time, driving home with a ground-skimming shot from 20 yards out.

Man of the match

Rangers made it 3-1 in the 73rd minute, when Sparta left-back Van Der Lee deflected the ball into his own net.

Four minutes later, however, Sparta reduced their deficit when Besselaar scored from a penalty after Van Ede had been over-viciously tackled when running for goal.

Rangers who played with more bile than in the two previous encounters, which were never in any doubt tonight, Glasgow's man of the match was Sammy Baird who scored

twice and was carried off in triumph after the game.

The Scots backs, international caps Caldwell and Little played well, as did the halves, Davis, Paterson and Stevenson.

The best of the Dutch were the defenders, with centre-half Villerius and keeper Van Dijk starring. Of the attackers, only wingers Van Ede and Besselaar deserve mention.

The teams

The teams were:
Rangers: Niven, Caldwell, Little, Davis, Paterson, Stevenson, Scott, MacMillan, Millar, Baird, Wilson.
Sparta: Van Dijk, Visser, Van Der Lee, Verhoeven, Villerius, De Koning, Van Ede, Cressa, Fitzgerald, De Vries, Besselaar, England's R. J. Leafe refereed.—APF.

Mar Del Plata international chess tourney

Mar Del Plata, Mar. 30.
The four foreign grand masters all won their opening matches in the Mar Del Plata International Chess Tournament, Bobby Fischer, U.S. champion beat Argentine Bernardo, Wexler in 40 moves on Tuesday night. David Bronstein, Russian, defeated Argentine Alberto Fogelman in 44 moves. Boris Spassky, Russian, won over Argentine Carlos Beliecki in 40 moves, and Frederick Olafsson, Icelandic, beat Argentine Carlos Incanto in 37 moves.

Chilean Rene Letelier beat Julio Sandi of Argentina in 22 moves, Brazilian Ollio Gadin defeated Argentine Luis Marini in 29 moves and Luis Alvarez Del Monte of Uruguay drew with Erich Eliskases of Argentina in 31 moves.—AP.

Sports Diary

TO-DAY
Athletics
HKAAA meeting, Education Dept. 8.30 p.m.
Soccer
Combined HK and Macao Police v HK Chinese (HS) 1.30 p.m.
Cricket
Army-RAF triangular final match at Clatter Road 11 a.m.
Hockey
Ladies' international, semi-final: England v Portugal (Recejo) 1.30 p.m.
Rugby
Commonwealth Brigade XV v Colony XV, Club ground, 8 p.m.
Baseball
Berling of retired by The Chinese Regiment at 7.30 p.m.
TO-MORROW
Athletics
Finals of Inter-School athletic championships at HK Stadium 2 p.m.

Orient champion Leo Espinosa loses on points

Tokyo, Mar. 30.
Japan's featherweight champion Kazuo Takayama scored a unanimous decision over former Philippines Orient bantamweight champion Leo Espinosa in a non-title 10-round bout here tonight.

It was a slow fight. Hayashi scored it 50-40 in favour of the Japanese champion. American Judge Nicholas Pope had it 49-47 for Takayama. Japanese judge Haruo Ishiwatari gave Takayama 49 against 45 for Espinosa.

Espinosa weighed 127 pounds, Takayama 128½.

There were no knockdowns and neither fighter was marked. A crowd of 1,000 was disappointed in the performance of the fighters at Tokyo's Korakuen Boxing Gymnasium.

CLOSE FIGHT

It was a close fight from the start until the final gong with Espinosa outpointing the Japanese by a close score in most of the rounds.

Takayama's best round was the eighth when he claimed a hard right to Espinosa's head which had the Filipino staggering.

The Associated Press score card had Espinosa winning by a close margin — 49-47.

But Espinosa was angry when he heard the decision. "It is a hometown decision," said Espinosa in his dressing room.

"I think it was a draw."

One Japanese sports observer said: "I think some of the Japanese officials should be thrown out of the gymnasium."

"They see only the Japanese punches."—AP.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Irrelevant

Poor RIP, indeed I'm alright. But how low can you get? What can one feel for Pak Lo except sympathy when he is as unable to write as a letter intelligently as he is to provide Rugby enthusiasts with well written and unbiased reports?

I distinctly stated in my letter in Monday's China Mail that Pak Lo had made "prejudiced omission" and that he had been mean to "deserving teams" and I fail to see the relevance of his remark about supporting my "team".

I have no grudge against his not mentioning any one team but am merely disappointed with the general standard of his reports throughout the "Sevens".

RIP.

Replies

ZYGAL—The portion of Pak Lo's reply referred to should have read "Colony Sevens". Typographical error regretted. Sports Ed.

Softball Test

Melbourne, Mar. 30.
Australia today defeated South Africa by seven runs in the first softball "test" in Melbourne.

The South Africans failed to score runs and were well beaten.—AP.

This rule is a killer say race drivers

By ALAN EDMONDS

Nineteen of the world's top racing drivers said recently they would not be responsible for anyone's safety at the Le Mans sports car race in June—the event where, in 1955, more than 80 spectators died in a crash.

In fact the drivers—angered by a new international racing rule about windscreen height—

Too high

Their complaint: the 1960 rule of the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile stipulating that sports racing cars should have windcreens too high for drivers to look over.

The old regulation windscreen was so low that even the shortest drivers could see over the top—which is the way they like it.

The public statement—it was signed by, among others, Stirling Moss, Jack Brabham, Jim Clark, and Jochen Rindt—said: "The great danger arises when the windscreen becomes covered with oil, rubber, bugs, etc., which prevents the driver from seeing the road sufficiently well."

"No windscreen wiper on earth can keep a screen clear even of oil, let alone oil or bugs, at 150 miles an hour."

The drivers demand in the interests of safety, that the new rule be abided.

One of the 19, Graham Hill said in London: "The thought of having to drive looking through a windscreen is horrifying."

"It's a senseless regulation and for the FIA—which is always talking about safety—to introduce it, is ludicrous."

Thirty-one-year-old driver Hill told of his first protest made by drivers about the windscreen height.

"It was just after practice for the Buenos Aires 1,000-kilometre sports car race," he said.

On cushions

"We were all so frightened that we called the FIA. Then most of us drove through the race sitting on piles of cushions so we could see over the windscreen."

"The FIA have made one concession. They say we can have windcreens with slits in them. But that's funny."

"I don't think you can make laminated screens with a slit, and when you've got two drivers in a car the slit won't be in the right place for both of them."

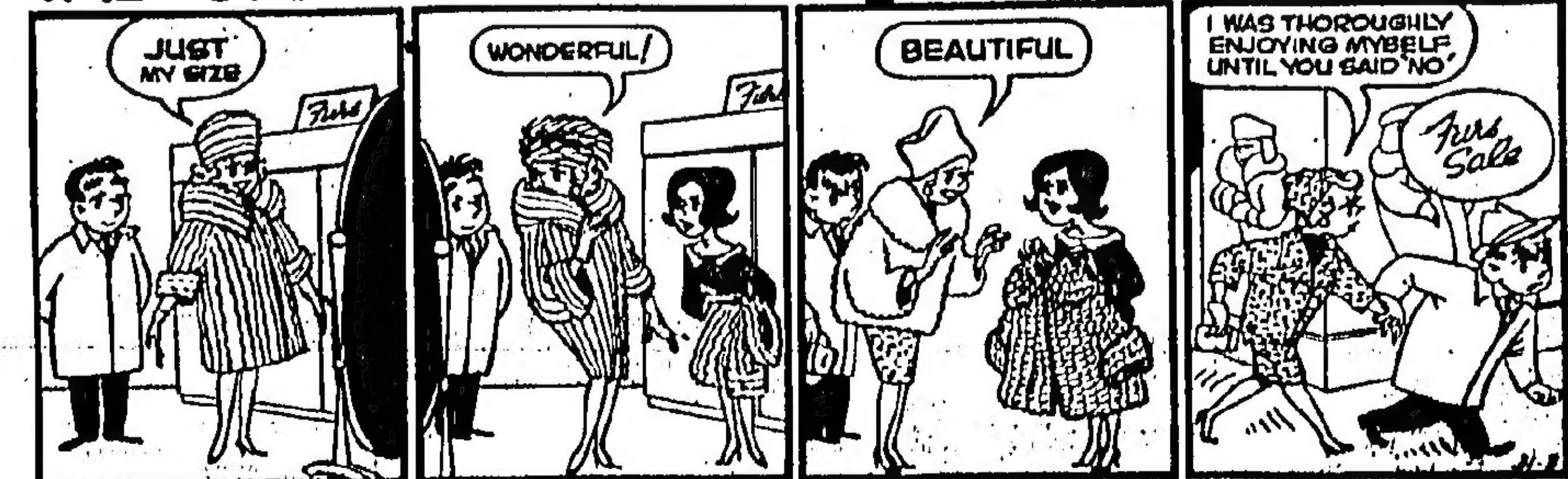
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RUGBY RESULTS

London, Mar. 30.
Results of tonight's British Rugby League and Union matches were:
Rugby League
Swinton 5, Warrington 6.
Featherstone 28, Keighley 6.
Rugby Union
Farnham 6, Newport 6.
Stroud 3, Bristol 14.—Reuter.

THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby



On the eve of the 106th Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race.

JOHN COTTRELL asks...

Where do the old Rowing Blues go?

It is one of the curiosities of sport that the world's best-known Boat Race personality is a certain Antony Charles Robert Armstrong-Jones, the 8th 8th Jesus College undergraduate who coxed the Cambridge Eight to a three-and-a-half-length victory in 1950.

That race was marked by an almost unprecedented incident. The two crews touched oars and the coxes swore at each other so loudly that they could be heard both sides of the river.

But who, until a few weeks ago, would have remembered that the eloquent Cambridge cox was no other than Armstrong-Jones, the famous young Court photographer?

A great army of more than 1,800 rowing stalwarts have collected their coveted Blues since the first 'Varsity race of 1829.

Today tens of thousands of people line the river and millions more crowd round their television sets to see sixteen young and husky gentlemen sweat and toil over the twisting four miles 37 yards from Putney to Mortlake Brewery.

It will be the same on April 2. No other country takes so much interest in a single boat race. But ask any non-'Varsity type to name some of the crew's men and the chances are you will be told: "I haven't the faintest idea."

In this respect, the Boat Race is unique among big sporting events. Like Armstrong-Jones, the rowing Blues who are remembered are those who had lasting fame in other fields of conquest. Even then their famous deeds on the Thames are often forgotten.

Where do the Old Blues go? Almost every member of the first two crews of 1829 went into the Church.

Became bishops

Two of them became bishops, three were afterwards deans, and J. J. Thorneycroft, Oxford's No 5 (at 14st 10lb the heaviest oarsman ever to row in the race) became Prebendary of York.

In contrast, the 1950 crew has provided two doctors, two shipbrokers, a managing director of a large factory making ball-bearings, an administrator for a group of London brewers, one engineer, one accountant—and one ex-photographer.

Two rowing Blues have become Prime Ministers.

One is 76-year-old Lord Bruce of Melbourne (Australian Premier 1923-29) who rowed No. 2 in the winning Cambridge crew of 1904. The other was William Henry Waddington who, strangely, became Prime Minister of France for a short spell in 1903.

1879 and later returned to England as French Ambassador.

Waddington, son of a naturalised French subject, rowed No. 6 in the Cambridge crew which won the first race in 1829.

This was the only year in which there were two Boat Races, the second producing the only foul of the series.

Sunk

Cambridge were disqualified that year because after taking Oxford's Middlesex water they tried to cross back to the Surrey side. This forced Oxford to stop and so lose three lengths.

Ten years after, in 1839, we had the first Boat Race sinking. The race was rowed in half a gale and Oxford, having won the toss and chosen the more sheltered Middlesex station, refused Cambridge's request for a postponement.

Cambridge kept their opponents waiting half an hour at the start but they could not avoid their fate. About half-way between Barnes Bridge and the finish, they went down, rowing to the last, in their waterlogged boat.

One member of that luckless crew was A. L. Smith who could not swim and was only just rescued in time. The half-drowned oarsman became a Lord Justice of Appeal—as did Old Blues J. W. Chitty of Oxford and W. H. Brett and E. Macmillan of Cambridge.

Today all these notable rowing men are remembered more for their law than their locomotion.

Only a few rowing Blues have gone on to achieve greatness in other sports as well as public life. One such a man was William Henry Grenfell—"The Dore Devil of Balliol"—who now ranks as the greatest all-round sportsman Britain has ever known.

Grenfell played cricket for Harrow and was school mile champion. He was university three-mile champion, and Oxford's No. 4 in the toughest and most controversial Boat Race—the dead-heat of 1877.

Dead heat

Though Cambridge pulled up magnificently at the finish, Oxford were sure they had won.

but nobody else could say and waterman John Phelps, the official judge, had disappeared in the crush of boats at Mortlake without giving his verdict.

Next day, in the Robing Room of the House of Commons, Chitty received "Honourable John" Phelps and officials declared the race a dead heat. For years Oxford men argued that they had won by as much as five yards.

There was no argument the next year when Grenfell helped Oxford to a ten-length victory. In 1879 he was president when Cambridge had their revenge and later he twice coached a winning Boat Race crew.

While still at Oxford, Grenfell gained fame as a mountaineer and won a race up and down the Matterhorn. He became an expert shot and champion punter. He stroked the victorious 1883 Oxford crew to France in 4 hours 22 minutes and sculled alone from Dover to Calais.

He hunted big-game in India and swam the Niagara. He competed as a fencer in the Olympic (Athletic) Games of 1906 and became Britain's top Olympic official.

Lasting fame

No other rowing Blue has achieved such lasting fame in sport as Grenfell, who was also elected to Parliament and became the first and only Lord Desborough.

Of course, some men like Stephen Fairbairn and Chris Davidge have won fame through their many other feats of rowing. And who, once they heard the name, could forget P. H. G. H. S. Hartley, stroke to three winning Cambridge crews (1920-22)? They called him "Alphabet" Hartley.

While the sport is strictly amateur, a rowing Blue once had tremendous commercial value.

The story is still told at Cambridge of the telegram which once reached the University Appointment Board. It read: "Wanted urgently, manager for Calcutta tramways. First-class classes or rowing Blue preferred."

But a rowing Blue is no guarantee of future success in

Oxford's crew on the tideway and the new oars



SOME ODD BOAT RACE FACTS

Hot seat

Oxford's stroke of 1867, R. G. Maraden, was cautioned on the morning of the race not to go faster than he could help. The reason: F. William, the Oxford No. 7, was suffering from a boil in a place unlikely to be comforted by 20-odd minutes of fast propulsion on a fixed seat.

Exclusive

A Cambridge man once founded "The Vine Street Club." Its membership was confined to undergraduates who had spent Boat Race night in London's Vine Street police station.

Mild and bitter

In 1845 Oxford lost through over-confidence. They believed Cambridge to be a mild crew because two of them were totalitarians.

Crazy paving

Undergraduates once celebrated Boat Race night by taking up a large length of the roadway in Piccadilly.

Disguised as navvies, they roped off their pitch, swung their picks and stacked up a great heap of wood-blocks.

They retired before daylight leaving one man, disguised as a hoary old watchman, warming his hands over a fire bucket.

Disaster nearly overtook the Oxford crew of 1911.

No. 7 got his start caught in the runner of his slide. But he freed himself in time and Oxford won.

Lady Margaret men

The 1950 Cambridge Eight, coxed to victory by Tony Armstrong-Jones, was known as the Lady Margaret crew. No fewer than six of the oarsmen were from Lady Margaret Boat Club.

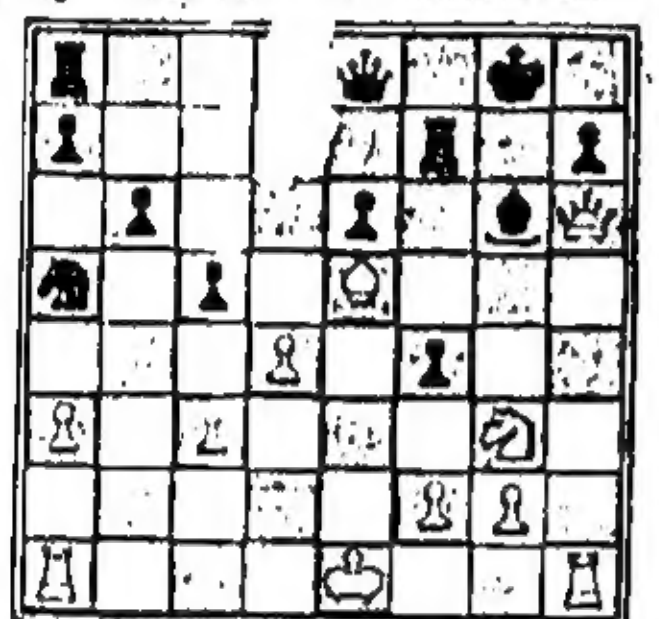
Stolen boat

Sir Robert Menzies, Oxford rowing Blue of 1842, sided and abetted by his brother, "borrowed" the boat used by Oxford in the first Boat Race and carted it off to his castle in Scotland.

It was discovered there in 1900, returned to the OUBC and later placed in London's Science Museum. —(London Express Service).

CHESS

by LÉONARD BARDEN



Here is a position for actual play: White to move and win. —(London Express Service).

Four D. Jones

BY MADDOCKS



THE PILFERING PIRATES STEP ASHORE...

BUT LIKE ALL GOOD RUSSIANS, THE COMMISSAR KEEPS HIS EYES TO THE WEST...



...AND THE PIRATES APPROACH FROM THE EAST...

THE COMMISSAR KEEPS HIS EYES TO THE WEST...



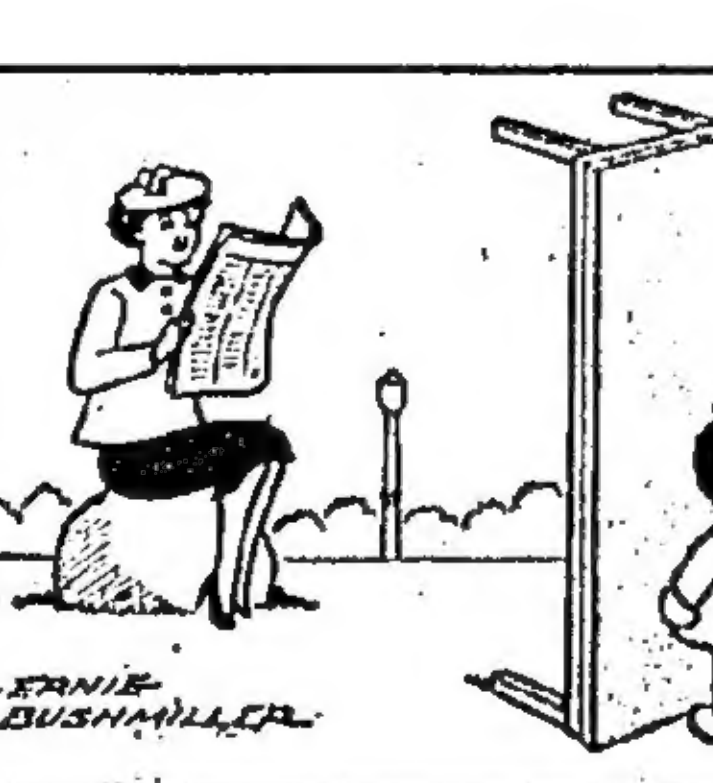
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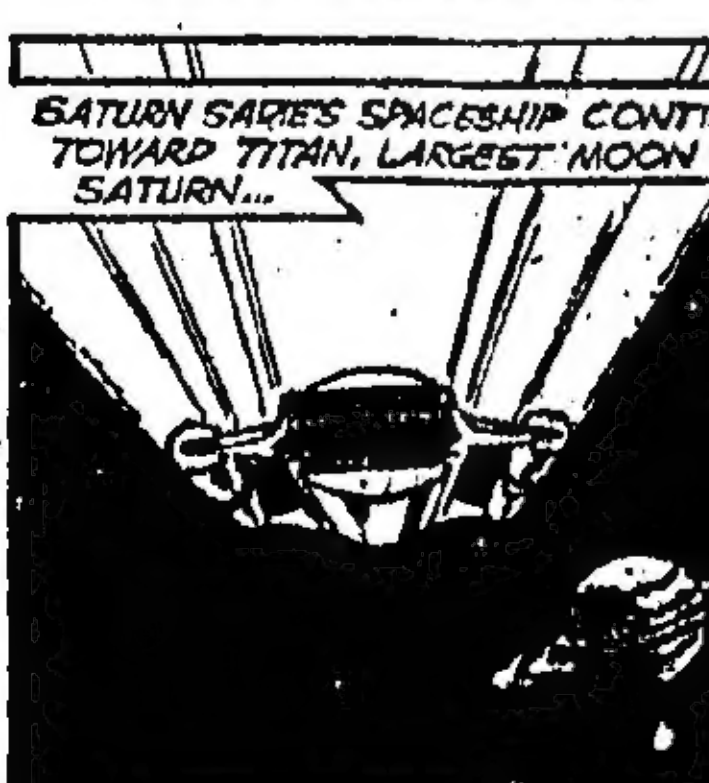
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THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1960.

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Maximum fine for man with dirty restaurant

Central Magistrate, Mr. I. T. Morris, this morning imposed the maximum fine of \$2,000 with the alternative of three months' jail on Chan Hing-wan, licensee of a restaurant at 119-121 Queen's Road Central, for failing to keep the premises clean.

Inspector Mok Lung, of the Urban Services Department, told the Court, that on January 27, District Inspector Mok Chung visited the defendant's restaurant and found it to be in a very dirty condition.

The kitchen floor on the ground floor and the floor of the food preparation rooms on the first floor were covered with grease and dirt.

Refuse found

Refuse was found scattered in different places particularly under the customers' chairs, Inspector Mok said.

He said the general condition of the premises was found to be extremely dirty and unhygienic. A prior warning had been given by the District Inspector on January 21, and a surprise visit was made in the evening of the same day when another warning was given. But the defendant ignored them.

Mr. Morris said in his judgment "The facts submitted to the court in this case unquestionably indicate a complete disregard of the provisions of the ordinance and details such

Transferred to district court

The case against John Spencer, charged with stealing a revolver and 11 rounds of ammunition from the Eastern Police Station and the possession of arms and ammunition without a licence on February 13, was transferred in the Victoria District Court by Central Magistrate Mr. K. A. S. Phillips this morning.

Spencer, a 30-year-old unemployed man living on a Hennessy Road roof-top, will appear in the District Court on April 7.

HK Family return from holiday in Japan

Mr. Loke Yung-pheng, Managing Director of Hongkong Pail Products Ltd., and Mrs. Loke returned in the morning from Japan with their son and two daughters.

Nelson Loke, the son, has been away for 14 years. He went through junior schooling in the United States and recently graduated in business administration at Menlo College, California.

Rosanna, the elder daughter, completed a secretary's course at Armstrong College, Berkeley, California, while Linda completed a course in investment at the University of California.

They have all been away more than five years. Mrs. Loke, a well-known businesswoman, went with her wife to Japan to meet their children. The Lokes spent a two-week holiday before returning to Hongkong.

6 months for drugs

A 28-year-old Chinese, Chan Yau-tung, pleaded guilty to possessing 13 packets of heroin powder for his own consumption, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and a \$200 fine or two more months by Mr. K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court this morning.

The defendant was arrested during a raid on a flat at 516 Jaffe Road, second floor, yesterday.

He also admitted a conviction for being a member of the Eight Tigers Triad Society.

Lady Bastyan visits St James' Settlement

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Little boys holding a rattle base firmly between their toes while their fingers were flying in intricate weaving processes pleased Lady Bastyan by their skill as she watched them this morning.

During her visit to the St James' Settlement, Kenney Road, Lady Bastyan commended little girls upon exquisite embroidery work. They were working at traycloths with cross-stitch designs in beautifully blended silks.

Mrs. Li Fook-ting, Honorary Secretary, Miss Lee Hel-man, Warden and Mr. Raymond L. General Secretary of the Settlement, greeted Lady Bastyan on her arrival and showed her the multiple activities of the Settlement at which boys and girls were being trained.

DAWN TILL DUSK

From rooftops, squatter shelters in dingy alleys or a flimsy lean-to against some tenement, the youngsters tucked the many sections and classes held at St James' from dawn until dusk.

Printing presses were hard at work, designs were being prepared for next year's Christmas cards; young mechanics had their old car engine outside the building and gardeners were busy behind it.

On either side building operations were in progress for the new school, and the activities centre to be built over the nish.

Texas to Timbuctoo



Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wynn

HUSBAND, WIFE TOUR TEAM ROUGH IT

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

An American woman who has been everywhere from Texas to Timbuctoo will soon lead a party of tourists through Central Asia to Moscow.

She is dynamic Mrs. Paula Wynn who together with her husband runs an "economy, roughing it" tourist agency.

Mrs. Wynn will leave Hongkong with her husband soon to start the trip.

While she is conducting the tour through Central Asia, her husband Dave will be taking tourists on a similar trek through the Middle East. Both parties hope to meet up in Paris before returning to the United States.

Nothing new

But for the globetrotting couple who have been traveling all their lives the tour is nothing new.

Dave conservatively estimates that he has been around the world 26 times.

"Not to mention," Paula puts in, "that in his travels he managed to pick up 17 languages."

However Paula is only slightly overshadowed by her husband.

"I'm not quite sure how many times I've made the round trip but it's been a good few times," she said.

Paula was a radio announcer in Manila before the war and a nightclub entertainer. However, despite their many adventures together they rank as their greatest the trip to Timbuctoo.

"After passing through the fascinating spot we went on a safari through some of the deepest, darkest parts of Africa," Mrs. Wynn said.

"We even met the tribe of natives who are supposed to be direct ancestors of the Crusaders."

Fascinating

"These people are quite fair and sharp featured, they are proud but very warlike. Their only weapons are spears and a shield — fascinating people."

Mrs. Wynn thinks that this trip into Russia could be the highlight of her life of travel.

"It's taken us a long time before we could finally get permission to go into the Soviet Union," Mrs. Wynn said.

"I don't think the time is too distant when the Yankkee dollar will be spent in Moscow like any other part of the world."

A "guide" to American sailors on short leave was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment by Mr. K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court this morning for being a member of the Tan Yee Triad Society. He pleaded guilty. The man, Bau Hung, 28, admitted seven earlier convictions for obstruction and one for street gambling.

FORMER HK DEAN TO TAKE PART IN PRINCESS'S WEDDING

The former Dean of St John's Cathedral, the Rev. F. S. Temple will take part in the wedding ceremony of Princess Margaret and Tony Armstrong-Jones on May 6.

Mr. Temple is now senior Chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury who is performing the ceremony.

As senior Chaplain, he will accompany the Archbishop in the Westminster Abbey ceremony.

The second chaplain will carry the cross in front of the Archbishop in his procession into the Cathedral. The duties of the senior chaplain are not specified.

"He just has to be available if necessary," a clergyman told the China Mail today.

"So he should have an excellent place in it all."

A London report cabled by the Associated Press says that the wedding will take place in a grand ceremony at Westminster.

With her for the coach on the drive to Westminster.



DEAN TEMPLE

Abbey on May 6 will be the Queen's husband, Prince Philip, who will give the bride away.

The palace also announced that Queen Elizabeth's infant son, Prince Andrew, will be christened on April 8 in the palace. —A.P.

dear sir

Franco's A-Bomb

Chapman Pincher's jubilation, for once, does not seem to stem from his propensity to grovel in sensationalism—albeit your prominent display of his article on the French A-Bomb "bombs" might convey that impression.

In this instance it seems he is genuinely overcome with childish delight at the perspective—or hope—that his friend next door has a smaller lollipop than his.

HENRI J. BALLERAND

DARKNESS BEFORE STORM

Heavy clouds brought evening darkness to the Colony at mid-day today.

And the darkness intensified before the thunder storm broke. City offices and shops were ablaze with light. Cars had their headlights on.

Then Hongkong experienced its heaviest shower of rain this year.

The thunder storm spells temporary relief from Hongkong's warm and sticky weather.

Tonight a nine to ten degree drop in temperature is expected and a minimum of 59 or 58 degrees is possible.

The heavy rain should clear up by this afternoon though the Colony can expect showery weather this evening and tonight. Showers may continue tomorrow.

Girl dies after fall

A seven-year-old girl who fell 60 feet from a verandah of a North Point building yesterday morning died later in the day.

In yesterday's China Mail it was reported the girl had only twisted her arm.

This was the information given to the China Mail at the time of the accident and the existence of more serious injuries was not then known. These were revealed following her admission to hospital.

The girl, Kwok Lung-chun, was sitting astride a parapet on the 17th floor verandah of Healthy Village Estate in North Point.

CHESSMAN LOSES PETITION

San Rafael, Calif., Mar. 30. Convict-author Caryl Chessman lost another court case today in efforts to escape execution on May 2. Superior Judge Jordan Martinelli crisply rejected a petition for a writ of habeas corpus and also refused to stay the execution.

"The petition is without merit," Judge Martinelli said. —A.P.

From the Files

25 years AGO

March, 1935

FOUR hundred and fifty round-the-world tourists arrived in the luxury CPR liner the Empress of Britain yesterday.

One of the passengers on board, Princess Jobstina Albrecht, cousin of the former Kaiser of Germany, told a press representative: "The Chinese costume is so fascinating that it's a wonder to me, Paris hasn't long since adopted it. Chinese girls have marvellous figures," she said.

"We western people are lost beside them."

European politics do not interest the royal visitor to Hongkong. The Great War she regarded as "one of the major tragedies of civilisation and another war is unthinkable. It would be the crowning folly of civilisation."

Another passenger on board was Mr. Herbert Herrand, dog fancier and owner of the famous Ellenbert, Kennels of America. He is able to recommend a dog which doesn't mind living in a flat and is intelligent, small, strong and clean—the dachshund.

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The China Motor Bus Co Ltd announces that an application it has made to the Government for certain route extensions and reduced fares, has been granted with certain modifications, and the changes which will include the introduction of second class fares will come into force as from April 1.

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SIR Charles Kingsford Smith is selling his famous plane the Southern Cross.

"The Commonwealth Government may like to buy it for an historic keepsake before the old bus wears right out," he said.

"It is still quite safe for a few hundred hours more flying but it will shortly need to be rebuilt if its life of usefulness is to be extended," said Sir Charles.

The rebuilding would cost between £500 and £800 which I cannot afford.

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At the recent annual meeting of the Kowloon Residents Association, the retiring President referred to the amazing development of the district in the vicinity of Prince Edward Road.

In 1926, he said, Kowloon Tong boasted a population of only 80 families, while Prince Edward Road had not a single house.

Now the district possesses some of the finest buildings and residences in the Colony. Ten years have seen wonderful changes in that area, and it could be difficult for a visitor to Hongkong to reconcile the district of 1926 to its present expanse of wide motor roads and fine houses.

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PICTORIAL PARADE



ABOVE: Sir Robert Black is greeted by Dr. F. I. Tsang when he attended the St John Ambulance Brigade dinner dance at the Peninsula Hotel. On the left is Mr Kwok Chan.



ABOVE: Mr Lothar Hock, Manager of the Frankfurt Travel Agency, seen before his departure for Tokyo this week. Mr Hock is on a tour of Far Eastern tourist facilities.



ABOVE: Seen at the Alliance Francaise ball at the Hongkong Club last week (l-r) — Mrs M. Pieffot, Dr and Mrs Hons Toog, Mr M. Pieffot.



ABOVE: Mr D. J. S. Crozier, Director of Education, seen cutting the ribbon to open the Book Fair at the Hongkong Star Ferry pier. At right is Mr Donald Moore.

Fined for beating child with stick

A 19-year-old nursery attendant, Lee Chi was fined \$25 by Mr I. M. S. Donnell at Kowloon (this morning) for beating a three-year-old child with a stick.

The defendant was also bound over in \$500.

Sub-Inspector I. W. Ellis told the Magistrate that on March 27 the mother of the child went to the St. Catherine's Nursery at 113 Chatham Road where she left her child for \$200 per month.

On arrival she saw that her child had been severely bruised. She said she had called the police and the child was taken to hospital.

Death of resident

Mrs Sally Cunningham, an old and respected resident of Hongkong, passed away in her sleep at 7 o'clock this morning in the Kowloon Hospital. She was 81.

Mrs Cunningham has been ill for a long time and was admitted to hospital yesterday morning.

Surviving her are two sons, Edward who is with the Public Works Department, and William, now with the Hongkong Bank, five grand-sons and one grand-daughter.